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MEETING: JOINT POLICY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

DATE: Thursday, February 12, 2004

TIME: 7:15 a.m.

PLACE: Metro Regional Center, Council Chambers

7:15	Call to Order and Declaration of a Quorum	Rod Park, Chair
7:20	* Review of Minutes - <u>APPROVAL REQUESTED</u> ▪ January 15, 2004	Rod Park, Chair
7:25	Citizen communications to JPACT on non-agenda items	Rod Park, Chair
7:30	* Resolution No. 04-3409 For the Purpose of Endorsing A Regional Position on Reauthorization of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (Tea-21) - <u>APPROVAL REQUESTED</u>	Andy Cotugno (Metro)
7:45	* Resolution No. 04-3410 For the Purpose of Approving Portland Regional Federal Transportation Priorities for Federal Fiscal Year 2005 Appropriations - <u>APPROVAL REQUESTED</u>	Andy Cotugno (Metro)
8:00	* Resolution No. 04-3418 For the Purpose of Amending the 2004-07 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program to Add Funding of a First Phase of the I-5/North Macadam Access Improvements for \$2 Million - <u>APPROVAL REQUESTED</u>	Matthew Garrett (ODOT)
8:15	* Resolution No. 04-3419 For the Purpose of recommending to the Oregon Freight Advisory Committee (OFAC) on freight project priorities for funding as part of OTIA III - <u>APPROVAL REQUESTED</u>	Andy Cotugno (Metro) Bridget Wiegart, (Metro)
8:25	* Comments to Oregon Transportation Commission on OTIA - Local Bridge Program - <u>APPROVAL REQUESTED</u>	Andy Cotugno (Metro)
8:35	# Review of Washington D.C. Trip - <u>INFORMATIONAL</u>	Andy Cotugno (Metro)
8:45	# Recap of JPACT Retreat - <u>INFORMATIONAL</u>	Andy Cotugno (Metro)
9:00	ADJOURN	Rod Park, Chair

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Material provided at meeting.

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SPECIAL JPACT MEETING

MEETING: JOINT POLICY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION (JPACT)
DATE: Friday, February 20, 2004
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
PLACE: Metro Regional Center, Council Chambers

Congressman Earl Blumenauer will attend from 9:30-10:30 a.m. to speak with members regarding federal transportation reauthorization and appropriations.

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SPECIAL JPACT MEETING

MEETING: JOINT POLICY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION (JPACT)
DATE: Monday, February 23, 2004
TIME: 5:00 p.m.
PLACE: Metro Regional Center, Council Chambers

A special JPACT meeting will be held to discuss the
JPACT - Washington D.C. presentation.

JOINT POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION
January 15, 2004

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>AFFILIATION</u>
Rod Park	Metro Council
Matthew Garrett	Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT - Region 1)
Rob Drake	City of Beaverton, representing Cities of Washington County
Fred Hansen	TriMet
Maria Rojo de Steffey	Multnomah County
Karl Rohde	City of Lake Oswego, representing Cities of Clackamas County
Stephanie Hallock	Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)
Rod Monroe	Metro Council
Royce Pollard	City of Vancouver
Don Wagner	Washington State Department of Transportation
Larry Haverkamp	City of Gresham, representing Cities of Multnomah County
Bill Kennemer	Clackamas County
Rex Burkholder	Metro Council
Roy Rogers	Washington County

<u>MEMBERS ABSENT</u>	<u>AFFILIATION</u>
Craig Pridemore	Clark County
Jim Francesconi	City of Portland
Bill Wyatt	Port of Portland

<u>GUESTS PRESENT</u>	<u>AFFILIATION</u>
Kate Deane	Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT - Region 1)
Robert Liberty	Congressman Blumenauer's Office
Mike Clark	Washington State Department of Transportation
Ginger Metcalf	Identity Clark County
Dick Feeney	TriMet
Robert Maestre	Multnomah County Community Services
Robert Duehmig	OHSU
Sharon Nasset	NPBA
Ron Papsdorf	City of Gresham
Nancy Kraushaar	City of Oregon City
Tom Markgraf	Congressman Blumenauer's Office
Danielle Cowan	City of Wilsonville
Robin McArthur	Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT - Region 1)
Larry Johnson	Columbia River Towboat Association - Foss Maritime
Jerry Grossnickle	Bernent Barge Liner
Olivia Clark	TriMet
Phil Selinger	TriMet
Karen Schilling	Multnomah County

GUESTS PRESENT (Cont.) AFFILIATION

Jim Howell	AORTA
Annette Liebe	Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
Charlotte Lehan	City of Wilsonville
Dean Lookingbill	SW Washington RTC
William Barnes	Citizen
Kathy Busse	Washington County
Laurel Wentworth	City of Portland
John Rist	Clackamas County
Hal Hiemstra	Ball Janik/Clark County

STAFF

Richard Brandman	Renee Castilla	Andy Cotugno	Kim Ellis	Tom Kloster
Patty Unfred Montgomery		Mark Turpel		

I. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF A QUORUM

Chair Park called the meeting to order and declared a quorum at 7:20 a.m.

II. REVIEW OF MINUTES

ACTION TAKEN: Commissioner Bill Kennemer moved and Mr. Fred Hansen seconded the meeting minutes of November 11, 2003 as amended (Mathew Garrett's comments regarding OTIA III - strike state, insert stages) and the meeting minutes of December 13, 2003 (insertion of citizen comments). The motion passed.

III. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS TO JPACT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Jim Howell, citizen, presented information on the I-5 widening project (included as part of this meeting record).

Mr. Fred Hansen stated that one of the recommendations of the I-5 Trade Corridor Recommendation was that the issue of transference should be evaluated, particular with 405/I-5 and the connection with I-84. He explained that the Mayor of Portland, Vera Katz, has in fact, created a group "the Loop Group", and it is beginning to look those issues.

IV. RESOLUTION NO. 03-3382 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADOPTING THE PORTLAND AREA AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY DETERMINATION FOR THE 2004 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN AND 2004-07 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Chair Rod Park accorded thanks to Metro staff for their hard work and a job well done.

Mr. Andy Cotugno presented Resolution No. 03-3382 (Included as part of this meeting record). He also indicated a correction within the resolution, page 2 of where-as, it changed the comment period date from January 21, 2004 to January 13, 2004.

Mr. Andy Cotugno presented the errata sheet (included as part of this meeting record).

ACTION TAKEN: Ms. Stephanie Hallock moved and Mr. Fred Hansen seconded the motion to approve Resolution No. 03-3382.

Mr. Fred Hansen accorded thanks to Metro staff as well as DEQ staff.

Ms. Stephanie Hallock expressed her thanks to EPA staff.

Councilor Rex Burkholder asked what factors caused the numbers to weaken further out in the forecast.

Mr. Andy Cotugno explained that vehicles miles traveled are growing faster than cars are getting cleaner as well as the extra five years in growth in VMT to 2025.

Councilor Rex Burkholder expressed the importance of looking towards 2025 and the long-term solutions needed in order to stay within today's air quality conformity budget.

Mr. Fred Hansen replied that vehicles will become cleaner eventually and expressed the importance of burning cleaner fuel until then.

ACTION TAKEN: The motion passed.

V. RESOLUTION NO. 03-3312 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING AN INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS (ITS) ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY ALTERNATIVES COMMITTEE (TPAC)

Resolution No. 03-3312 was pulled from the agenda.

VI. RESOLUTION NO. 04-3409 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENDORSING A REGIONAL POSITION ON REAUTHORIZATION OF THE TRANSPORTATION EQUITY ACT FOR THE 21ST CENTURY (TEA-21)

Summary of bills

Mr. Andy Cotugno presented the summary of bills (included as part of this meeting record).

Analysis of bills

Mr. Andy Cotugno presented the House Bill – Highway Component (included as part of this meeting record).

Mr. Fred Hansen asked if there were other jurisdictions facing the same loss of CMAQ funds.

Mr. Andy Cotugno replied that they would work with DEQ to obtain that information.

Mr. Matthew Garrett asked for a definition of mega projects.

Mr. Andy Cotugno replied that it was projects that were \$500 million or larger or totaled 75 percent of the states overall highway program, which would put Oregon's threshold around \$260 million.

Mr. Matthew Garrett stated that ODOT's large projects within the Portland Metro region include I-5 Columbia River Crossing, Sunrise Corridor, Tualatin-Sherwood (I-5 to Hwy 99), I-205 (Columbia River to I-5), and I-405 Loop. ODOT projects located outside of the Portland Metro region include Hwy 62 (Medford), Newberg-Dundee, and Highway 20 (Pioneer Mtn to Eddyville)

Ms. Stephanie Hallock asked how disputes were resolved for the state when there was more than one jurisdiction competing for their projects.

Mr. Matthew Garrett replied that the Oregon Transportation Commission makes the final decision.

Mr. Don Wagner said that the I-5 Trade Corridor project was the only project that WSDOT would be submitting under the Mega Projects program.

Mr. Andy Cotugno presented the Transit side of the House bill (included as part of this meeting record).

Mr. Andy Cotugno presented the New Starts/Small Starts (Transit – House) category (included as part of this meeting record).

Mr. Andy Cotugno presented the SAFETEA (included as part of this meeting record).

Mr. Andy Cotugno presented the Congestion Relief Act (included as part of this meeting record).

- Projects List – Mr. Andy Cotugno briefly presented the projects list (included as part of this meeting record).
- Swing Span Bridge – Mr. Jerry Grossnickle presented information on the Swing Span Bridge (included as part of this meeting record).

Mr. Fred Hansen asked if the I-5 "Lift" Bridge project would permanently solve the problem.

Mr. Jerry Grossnickle replied a change to the bridge would solve the problem and benefit the entire region. He explained that although they have not had high water for three years that has

been projected to change. Therefore, the towboats would need to use the lifts more frequently, thus impacting traffic.

Mr. Matthew Garrett concurred with Jerry Grossnickle on the need for the change. However, expressed concern that this project would be competing against priorities already articulated. He further stated that they are beginning to evaluate the I-5/Delta Park Project and begin discussion regarding new river crossings.

Mr. Jerry Grossnickle responded that while he understood the position the members find themselves in regarding priorities, he reiterated that there is a great need for this project itself. He said that this project is a high priority for safety reasons. It is also a problem for the interstate system including the freight community when they are delayed because of a bridge lift. He reiterated that with the snow level this year expected to raise water levels, the delay from additional bridge lifts could greatly impact the users of I-5 as well as increase the safety concerns expressed by the tug boat operators.

Mayor Royce Pollard stated that the region is fortunate to have such experienced pilots and captains because a major accident could shut down the river, the railroad, and the interstate. He emphasized the importance of the project from the safety and economics point of view and how it could affect the future economic resources of the region

Councilor Karl Rohde asked how quickly the project could be completed.

Mr. Jerry Grossnickle replied that if funding could be found then the project could be completed within two years at a cost estimated around \$42 million dollars.

Mayor Rob Drake expressed his understanding of the importance of the project. However, he stated that there is not feasible to add such a project to the already reduced local funding. He said a big issue is the high cost of \$42 million and further thought that the users of the benefit should contribute, i.e. Towboat Association, Railroads, etc. He said that while he understands that a surcharge or dedicated source of income would increase the costs of moving freight and goods, \$42 million is a lot of money. He recommended pursuing other avenues of funding.

Mr. Jerry Grossnickle replied that they did try Truman Hobbs however were told that it is a highway system benefit. Therefore, highway funds should pay for it. He further stated that the benefit to I-5 would more than pay for the bridge.

VII. RESOLUTION NO. 04-3410 FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPROVING PORTLAND REGIONAL FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION PRIORITIES FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2005 APPROPRIATIONS

Mr. Andy Cotugno briefly presented the project list (included as part of this meeting record).

Councilor Karl Rohde requested that the Amtrak South Station be put back on the list at \$1.5 million for construction.

Commissioner Roy Rogers commented that it was important to discuss the potential negative affects of having such a diverse project list at the JPACT retreat.

Ms. Karen Schilling stated that the \$ 1 million request for Sauvie Island dropped off the list and she requested that it be added back on.

VIII. BI-STATE PROGRESS REPORT

- Charter, I-5 Delta Park Project, Future Agendas – Councilor Rex Burkholder presented the Bi-State Progress Report (included as part of this meeting record).
- WSDOT Congestion Relief Study – Letter from JPACT – Councilor Rex Burkholder presented the WSDOT Congestion Relief Study (included as part of this meeting record).

ACTION TAKEN: The committee agreed unanimously to send a letter from JPACT regarding the WSDOT Congestion Relief Study.

IX. JPACT RETREAT

Chair Rod Park presented the registration form for the JPACT Retreat scheduled for February 2, 2004 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (included as part of this meeting record). He also distributed information regarding a Special JPACT meeting schedule for February 23, 2004 at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the Washington D.C. trip (included as part of this meeting record).

Mr. Fred Hansen expressed concern that there was not enough time allocated for discussion and suggested starting the retreat at 7:15 a.m.

Councilor Rod Park stated that if the times are changed for the JPACT retreat then it was important for members to be willing to stay for the entire retreat.

X. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Chair Rod Park adjourned the meeting at 9:09 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Renee Castilla

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENDORSING AN) RESOLUTION NO. 04-3409
UPDATED REGIONAL POSITION ON)
REAUTHORIZATION OF THE) Introduced by Councilor Rod Park
TRANSPORTATION EQUITY ACT FOR THE
21ST CENTURY (TEA-21)

WHEREAS, the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) was adopted by Congress in 1998; and

WHEREAS, TEA-21 expired at the end of federal Fiscal Year 2003 (September 30, 2003) and a five-month extension will expire before March 2004; and

WHEREAS, Congress will be considering reauthorization of TEA-21 during 2003; and

WHEREAS, TEA-21 has a significant policy effect on transportation planning and decision-making and funding in the Portland region; and

WHEREAS, reauthorization results in the "earmarking" or identification of specific projects and establishes the amount of federal funding eligible to be appropriated to those projects; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 03-3271 was adopted in January 2003 providing an analysis of possible legislative issues and options and an initial regional position on these issues; and

WHEREAS, there is proposed legislation under consideration in the Senate and House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, further review of proposed legislation will lead to possible amendment and refinement to this policy position; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council:

1. Endorses the summary of regional priority policy issues on reauthorization of TEA-21 as reflected in Exhibit A.
2. Endorses the regional analysis of issues reflected in legislation under consideration in Exhibit B.
3. Endorses the projects identified in Exhibit C as the region's priority projects for TEA-21 reauthorization earmarking.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this _____ day of February, 2004

Approved as to Form:

David Bragdon, Council President

Daniel B. Cooper, Metro Attorney

Exhibit A
Portland Regional Position
On the Reauthorization of the
Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century
(TEA-21)

Priority Policy Issues

In January 2003, the Metro region, through JPACT and the Metro Council adopted Resolution No. 03-3271 establishing priorities for the upcoming reauthorization of TEA-21. At that time, the reauthorization bill was still in development and specific proposals were not available. As such, Resolution No. 03-3271 provided a detailed analysis of issues that the region determined would be beneficial to address, identified the highest priorities of these issues and established priorities for project funding.

At this time, there are three bills introduced in the Congress, framing a much more specific basis for establishing the region's priority interests:

- Senate Bill 1072 – the “Safe, Accountable, Flexible and Efficient Transportation Equity Act of 2003” (SAFETEA) has been passed by the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee and recommended to the full Senate for consideration. This bill provides the Highway Title only and will be accompanied by the Transit Title which remains to be produced by the Senate Banking Committee. When the Transit Title is included, it is estimated SAFETEA will provide \$311 Billion over the 6-year period.
- House Bill 3550 – The “Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users” (TEA-LU) has been introduced to the House Transportation Committee. It includes both the Highway Title and the Transit Title. TEA-LU provides \$375 Billion over the 6-year period.
- House Bill 3611 – The “Metropolitan Congestion Relief Act” has been introduced to the House Transportation Committee. This Bill only addresses metropolitan funding programs and is intended as a vehicle to include portions as possible amendments into TEA-LU. It is not anticipated to be considered as a stand-alone bill.
- Senate Bill 3011 - The "Federal Public Transportation Act of 2004" has been introduced in the Senate Banking and Urban Affairs Committee.

Attached as Exhibit “B” to this Resolution is a detailed analysis of these bills with specific recommendations for support, opposition or amendment. However, the situation will continue to change, there will be a need to evaluate new proposals and there will be a need to react quickly. As such, this policy position is intended to establish the major concepts to support.

I. High Priority Issues

- A. Funding Levels** - Both the House and Senate Bills provide an important increase in transportation funding. It is essential that the reauthorization be finalized with these increases. If this is not possible, it would be better to defer adoption and adopt a short-term extension.

- B. Program Structure** – In general, the Portland region supports the Bills because the basic program structure of TEA-21 is retained. Also, in general, it is preferred by the Portland region that new discretionary programs not be created because historically the state has fared better through formula programs than through discretionary programs (there are several very important exceptions noted below). The principal program categories in the Highway Title of Interstate Maintenance (IM), National Highway System (NHS), Highway Bridge Program (HBR), Surface Transportation Program (STP) and Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ and in the Transit Title of Urban Formula Grants and New Starts are the most important to the region and the most critical to provide at an increased funding level.
- C. CMAQ apportionment** – Of critical importance to the Portland region is to maintain apportionment of CMAQ funds to the region with the change in the standard for ozone from a 1-hour standard to an 8-hour standard (a detailed amendment is included as Attachment 1 to Exhibit “B”).
- D. Multi-State Corridor Program** – Both the House Bill and the Senate Bill provide for an expanded Corridor Program, separated from the Border Program. However, the Portland region supports both the funding level in the House Bill (@ \$5 Billion) and the 70/30 division between Corridors and Borders. This would make this a viable funding source to continue to pursue discretionary grants for the I-5 Trade and Transportation Improvement.
- E. New Starts/Small Starts** - This is a key discretionary program that continues to be important to implement the region’s transit system. Significant in the House Bill is the proposed creation of a Small Starts category intended to provide a streamlined program for projects under \$75 million, such as Commuter Rail and Street Car. Overall, the New Start and Small Start programs are very attractive but there are some refinements needed to ensure it is as effective as intended. In the “project” section of this paper, the region’s New Start/Small Start projects to be authorized are detailed, including ensuring that the Commuter Rail Project is not setback due to the new Small Start Program.
- F. Freight Program** - It is vital to Oregon's economic future to retain our strength as a distribution point within the global trade network. Both the House and Senate Bills recognize the importance of federal programs to enhance the nation's infrastructure for freight movement. The Portland region supports the funding that is provided in both bills for intermodal connectors and multi-state corridors. In addition, the region urges approval of the Senate provisions that would make publicly-owned intermodal freight transportation projects eligible for Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds and TIFIA assistance.
- G. Metropolitan Congestion Relief Act** – House Bill 3611 – the Metropolitan Congestion Relief Act provides for the suballocation of STP, NHS, Interstate Maintenance and CMAQ funds to metropolitan regions. As shown in the detailed analysis, these amendments are not recommended by the Portland region. However, the creation of a new Metropolitan Congestion Relief funding category is recommended. As proposed, this category would result in a significant funding program for the Portland region and

result in a level of funding to the state that is proportionately higher than the other categories.

H. General Funds in the Transit Program – Historically, the Transit program has been funded through both Trust Funds dollars and General Fund dollars, spread across the entire program. TEA-LU proposes to shift the General Fund dollars to the New Starts category and the Trust Fund dollars to the balance of the transit program. The Senate Bill puts transit funding at a significant risk due to the lack of the same guarantees as highway funding. This would place New Start dollars at considerable risk and the region supports use of Trust Fund dollars.

I. Projects of National and Regional Significance – The Portland region is in support of the discretionary funding category for Projects of National and Regional Significance proposed in Section 1304 of TEA-LU as long as revenue increases can accommodate the program without a negative impact on the formula programs. It is a significant proposed program (@ \$17.6 Billion for the 6-years), intended for projects larger than \$500 million (or 75% of a state's federal aid highway program or about \$300 million in Oregon) that meet key criteria relating to national economic benefit, congestion reduction, safety improvement, support from non-federal funding including public-private partnerships and new technologies to enhance efficiency it is essential that the programs is implemented through a rigorous evaluation process similar to the transit New Starts Program.

The region supports the efforts of ODOT and the leadership of Congressman DeFazio to seek an earmark for the state's cracked bridge program under this new category. If the program is created, there are two prospects for this program as part of the next authorization: the I-5 Trade Corridor and the Sunrise Corridor. During the intervening years, these projects will need to be better defined, advanced into preliminary engineering and a case made for their national significance.

II. Other Priority Issues to Support

- A.** The change in the CMAQ apportionment formula in Section 1611 of SAFETEA is a good thing since it removes the 20% funding penalty for areas that meet ozone standards.
- B.** The addition of the Safe Routes to Schools in both SAFETEA and TEA-LU is good.
- C.** The funding programs in TEA-LU for Elderly and Disabled and the New Freedom Program are good.
- D.** The provision in both SAFETEA and TEA-LU making the availability of TIFIA for \$50 million rather than \$100 million projects is good.
- E.** Section 1604 of SAFETEA providing for the designation of elements of the Interstate System on the National Register of Historic Places would be detrimental to implementing the I-5 Trade Corridor project.

- F. The change in Section 1615 of SAFETEA to update the long-range transportation plan every 5-years rather than every 3-years is good.
- G. While there is a need to simplify the air quality conformity requirements, they should continue to be required for the full 20-year time period of the long-range transportation plan.
- H. The SAFETEA provision in Section 1102(b) increasing metropolitan planning to 1.5% of the highway program is important to meet the need of added metropolitan planning organizations and added federal mandates.
- I. Section 1522 of SAFETEA - the planning Capacity Building Initiative - provides funds for FHWA to improve and develop MPO transportation planning practices and should have an increased funding level.
- J. Section 5207 - the Advanced Travel Forecasting Procedures Program - which provides funding to FHWA for Research & Development of the TRANSIMS advanced modeling system was cut from SAFETEA and should be restored.
- K. Tolling provisions of both bills are good additions. The region supports the Congestion Pricing/Value Pricing language in SAFETEA and the funding authorization provided in TEA-LU.

III. Other Priority Issues to Oppose

- A. The Infrastructure Performance and Maintenance Program proposed in Section 1101(13) of SAFETEA should not be adopted since it duplicates other program categories, creates new unnecessary requirements and should be simply integrated with those categories.
- B. Section 1101(a)(22) of TEA-LU creating a program for dedicated truck lanes should not be adopted since these are eligible under several of the other funding categories.
- C. Section 1202 of TEA-LU requiring a set-aside of a portion of STP, NHS, CMAQ and Interstate Maintenance categories for congestion relief activities is an unnecessary limit on state and local decision-making.
- D. Section 1205 of TEA-LU requiring a set-aside of a portion of STP, NHS, CMAQ and Interstate Maintenance categories ITS projects is an unnecessary limit on state and local decision-making.

IV. High Priority Projects

Reauthorization of TEA-21 will include earmarking of funds for specific transportation projects. In particular, specific projects and funding amounts will be included in Section 1101(a)(17) for High Priority Projects. TEA-LU provides for an increase in funding for High Priority Projects by 60% from \$9.316 Billion to \$15 Billion. As such, the Portland region should provide the delegation with candidate projects to select from in anticipation of

earmarking about \$130 million of High Priority projects.

In addition to High Priority Projects, there may be an opportunity to earmark certain discretionary funding categories. Certainly, a very high priority for the Portland region is to authorize projects for funding through the New Starts and Small Starts Program. Whether other discretionary categories are created that could be earmarked remains to be seen, but some of these categories could be used for earmarking some of the Portland area projects. The project list reflects possible categories to be considered for earmarking, depending on the outcome of their status in the Bill.

EXHIBIT B to Resolution No. 04-3409







Analysis of Reauthorization Proposals
Regional Position on
Reauthorization of the
Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century
(TEA-21)


March 2004




- **B-1 TEA-LU (HR 3550) HIGHWAY TITLE ONLY**
- **B-2 TEA-LU (HR 3550) TRANSIT TITLE ONLY**
- **B-3 TEA-LU (HR 3550) NEW START/SMALL START**
- **B-4 SAFETEA (S. 1072)**
- **B-5 METROPOLITAN CONGESTION RELIEF ACT (HR 3611)**
- **B-6 SENATE TRANSIT BILL (S. 3011)**



TEA-LU (HR 3550)
HIGHWAY TITLE ONLY



The House Transportation Reauthorization bill is the product of two committees. The House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee released a bill (TEA-LU) covering the highway and transit title. Because TEA-LU increases funding beyond existing capacity, new revenues must be enacted by the House Ways and Means Committee. Ways and Means has not yet produced a bill. So, the table below reviews only TEA-LU. Only changes to TEA-21 are addressed. The table uses the following symbols to rate the overall effect of a proposed change.

Very Good	Good	Neutral	Bad	Very Bad	Unclear
					



Rating	Program/Issue TEA-LU Section Sect. of 23 USC Amended	Summary of Issue/Explanation of Rating																																
EXISTING FUNDING PROGRAMS																																		
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	Interstate Maintenance Program SAFTEA §1101(a)(1) Amends 23 USC 119	If revenue is enhanced, TEA-LU provides 36% higher Interstate Maintenance funding than TEA 21; 16% less IM funding than SAFETEA.																																
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



	<p>CMAQ Program TEA-LU §1101(a)(6); Amends 23 USC 104(b)(2); 149</p>	<p>Consistent with other existing funding sources, TEA-LU proposes to increase CMAQ funding by 59% compared to TEA-21.</p> <table><tr><th>Bill:</th><th>Year 1</th><th>Year 2</th><th>Year 3</th><th>Year 4</th><th>Year 5</th><th>Year 6</th><th>TOTAL</th></tr><tr><td>TEA-21</td><td>\$1.193</td><td>\$1.345</td><td>\$1.358</td><td>\$1.385</td><td>\$1.407</td><td>\$1.434</td><td>\$ 8.122</td></tr><tr><td>Senate Bill</td><td>\$1.900</td><td>\$2.150</td><td>\$2.225</td><td>\$2.225</td><td>\$2.225</td><td>\$2.225</td><td>\$12.950</td></tr><tr><td>House Bill</td><td>\$1.530</td><td>\$1.696</td><td>\$1.822</td><td>\$1.942</td><td>\$1.994</td><td>\$2.065</td><td>\$11.049</td></tr></table> <p>CMAQ is the lowest of the major funding sources for Oregon, both as an absolute amount and in terms of its share of the nationwide apportionment, but is a critical source allocated through JPACT and the Metro Council. In FY2003, Oregon received 0.68% (\$10M) of the nationwide apportionment of CMAQ funds. It is also the most restrictive in terms of eligible projects A recent EPA rule changed ozone standards; making Portland an “attainment area” rather than a “maintenance area.” As a result, <u>Portland will get a lower share of CMAQ funds in the future.</u> Accordingly:</p> <p>(a) Allow Portland to retain its eligibility for ozone-related CMAQ funds by amending TEA-LU to add 23 USC 104(b)(2)(B)(viii) as follows: <u>“(viii) 1.0 if, at the time of apportionment, the area is not designated as a nonattainment or maintenance area under the 8-hour ozone standard but was designated as a nonattainment area or maintenance area under the 1-hour ozone standard.”</u></p> <p>(b) Support the change of the apportionment factor from .8 to 1.0 for areas achieving a “Maintenance status.</p>	Bill:	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	TOTAL	TEA-21	\$1.193	\$1.345	\$1.358	\$1.385	\$1.407	\$1.434	\$ 8.122	Senate Bill	\$1.900	\$2.150	\$2.225	\$2.225	\$2.225	\$2.225	\$12.950	House Bill	\$1.530	\$1.696	\$1.822	\$1.942	\$1.994	\$2.065	\$11.049																																																
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


	<p>Multi-State Corridor TEA-LU §1101(a)(10); §1301 Border Planning, Operations, Tech. TEA-LU §1101(a)(11); §1302</p>	<p>“Corridor” funds are available to the I-5 Trade Corridor. Oregon is not eligible for “Border” funds. Under TEA-21, “Border” and “Corridor” funds were authorized as one program. About 80% of these funds were allocated to “Corridor” projects. TEA-LU establishes independent funding authorizations for both programs and increases funding by about eight-fold. TEA-LU’s split between Border and Corridor funds is consistent with past practice. A section has been reserved in TEA-LU for the operations of the program; <u>so it is yet not clear how the funds will be allocated.</u></p> <table><tr><th colspan="8">Borders and Corridors Programs <i>In TEA-21 Programs Combined, in SAFETEA/TEA-LU Separate Programs</i></th></tr><tr><th>Bill:</th><th>Year 1</th><th>Year 2</th><th>Year 3</th><th>Year 4</th><th>Year 5</th><th>Year 6</th><th>TOTAL</th></tr><tr><td>TEA-21; B&C.</td><td>\$0.140</td><td>\$0.140</td><td>\$0.140</td><td>\$0.140</td><td>\$0.140</td><td>\$0.140</td><td>\$0.840</td></tr><tr><td>Senate Bill: Corridors</td><td>\$0.112</td><td>\$0.135</td><td>\$0.157</td><td>\$0.180</td><td>\$0.202</td><td>\$0.225</td><td>\$1.011</td></tr><tr><td>Senate Bill: Borders</td><td>\$0.112</td><td>\$0.135</td><td>\$0.157</td><td>\$0.180</td><td>\$0.202</td><td>\$0.225</td><td>\$1.011</td></tr><tr><td>Senate Bill: B&C</td><td>\$0.224</td><td>\$0.270</td><td>\$0.314</td><td>\$0.360</td><td>\$0.404</td><td>\$0.450</td><td>\$2.022</td></tr><tr><td>House Bill: Corridors</td><td>\$0.500</td><td>\$0.900</td><td>\$0.900</td><td>\$0.900</td><td>\$0.900</td><td>\$0.900</td><td>\$5.000</td></tr><tr><td>House Bill: Borders</td><td>\$0.200</td><td>\$0.300</td><td>\$0.325</td><td>\$0.350</td><td>\$0.400</td><td>\$0.400</td><td>\$1.975</td></tr><tr><td>House Bill: B&C</td><td>\$0.700</td><td>\$1.200</td><td>\$1.225</td><td>\$1.250</td><td>\$1.300</td><td>\$1.300</td><td>\$6.975</td></tr></table> <p>Corridor funds were intended as a criteria-based discretionary program. However, actual funding under TEA-21 had little to do with the authorized funding levels or criteria. Over TEA-21, Oregon’s share has been about the same as for NHS funds, but more erratic</p> <table><tr><th>Bill:</th><th>1998</th><th>1999</th><th>2000</th><th>2001</th><th>2002</th><th>2003</th><th>TOTAL</th></tr><tr><td>B&C Funds Allocated</td><td></td><td>\$123.60</td><td>\$121.80</td><td>\$123.08</td><td>\$479.98</td><td>\$255.00</td><td>\$1,103.46</td></tr><tr><td>Amount to Oregon</td><td></td><td>\$200</td><td>\$000</td><td>\$088</td><td>\$486</td><td>\$650</td><td>\$1423</td></tr><tr><td>Percent to Oregon</td><td></td><td>1.62%</td><td>0.00%</td><td>0.71%</td><td>1.01%</td><td>2.55%</td><td>1.29%</td></tr></table> <p>Unlike other targeted programs, this program should be supported by JPACT, so long as Corridor funds are about 80% of total, because, with Washington’s help, this may be good funding source for I-5 PE/EIS work.</p>	Borders and Corridors Programs <i>In TEA-21 Programs Combined, in SAFETEA/TEA-LU Separate Programs</i>								Bill:	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	TOTAL	TEA-21; B&C.	\$0.140	\$0.140	\$0.140	\$0.140	\$0.140	\$0.140	\$0.840	Senate Bill: Corridors	\$0.112	\$0.135	\$0.157	\$0.180	\$0.202	\$0.225	\$1.011	Senate Bill: Borders	\$0.112	\$0.135	\$0.157	\$0.180	\$0.202	\$0.225	\$1.011	Senate Bill: B&C	\$0.224	\$0.270	\$0.314	\$0.360	\$0.404	\$0.450	\$2.022	House Bill: Corridors	\$0.500	\$0.900	\$0.900	\$0.900	\$0.900	\$0.900	\$5.000	House Bill: Borders	\$0.200	\$0.300	\$0.325	\$0.350	\$0.400	\$0.400	\$1.975	House Bill: B&C	\$0.700	\$1.200	\$1.225	\$1.250	\$1.300	\$1.300	\$6.975	Bill:	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	TOTAL	B&C Funds Allocated		\$123.60	\$121.80	\$123.08	\$479.98	\$255.00	\$1,103.46	Amount to Oregon		\$200	\$000	\$088	\$486	\$650	\$1423	Percent to Oregon		1.62%	0.00%	0.71%	1.01%	2.55%	1.29%
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	<p>Interstate Discretionary Projects TEA-LU §1111 Amends 23USC118(c)</p>	<p>In TEA-LU, <u>the \$100M per year Interstate Discretionary Program is eliminated.</u> Oregon has received little from the Interstate Discretionary Program. Of the \$560M allocated during TEA-21, Oregon received \$1.765M, or 0.3%. Elimination of discretionary program adds to formula apportionments, a benefit to Oregon.</p>																																																																																																								

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	<p>Highway Safety Improvement Prog. TEA-LU §1101(6); §1401; Amends 23USC130; 23USC152</p>	<p>TEA-LU repeals the 10% (\$649M in FY03) safety set-aside in the STP program and replaces it with a new, formula program with a 90% federal share.</p> <table><tr><td>Bill:</td><td>Year 1</td><td>Year 2</td><td>Year 3</td><td>Year 4</td><td>Year 5</td><td>Year 6</td><td>TOTAL</td></tr><tr><td>TEA-21</td><td>N/A</td><td>N/A</td><td>N/A</td><td>N/A</td><td>N/A</td><td>N/A</td><td>N/A</td></tr><tr><td>Senate Bill</td><td>\$1.200</td><td>\$1.300</td><td>\$1.350</td><td>\$1.350</td><td>\$1.350</td><td>\$1.350</td><td>\$7.900</td></tr><tr><td>House Bill</td><td>\$1.000</td><td>\$1.100</td><td>\$1.200</td><td>\$1.300</td><td>\$1.400</td><td>\$1.500</td><td>\$7.500</td></tr></table> <p>One-third of these amounts are allocated to states for the railroad crossing program in 23USC130. One-half of these funds are apportioned to states based on the STP formula and one-half based on the number of railroad crossings. Two-thirds of these amounts are allocated to states for the hazard elimination program in 23USC152 based on the STP formula.</p> <p>Project requirements do not appear onerous, but do not know how they comply with Oregon/Portland priorities. This new program is in addition to continuing the Nat'l Highway Traffic Safety Administration (HSTSA) and Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP).</p> <p><u>Generally, JPACT should support increases in flexible programs, such as STP, and be wary of targeted or restrictive programs with new administrative requirements. However, this is mitigated somewhat in the Safety Program because it makes more flexible STP dollars available with the elimination of the 10% STP set-aside for safety projects.</u></p>	Bill:	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	TOTAL	TEA-21	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Senate Bill	\$1.200	\$1.300	\$1.350	\$1.350	\$1.350	\$1.350	\$7.900	House Bill	\$1.000	\$1.100	\$1.200	\$1.300	\$1.400	\$1.500	\$7.500
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	<p>Safe Routes to Schools TEA-LU §1101(a)(23) §1118(b)</p>	<p>Creates a \$250M per year, six-year formula program for sidewalks, traffic calming, bicycle facilities, etc. in the vicinity of primary and middle schools. Apportionment to states based on school enrollment with a \$2M per year minimum apportionment (probably would be Oregon's share). 10%-30% of funds to be used for activities to encourage walking and bicycling to school, including public awareness campaigns, traffic education and enforcement in the vicinity of schools, student sessions on bicycle and pedestrian safety, etc</p>																																

?	<p>Projects of National and Regional Significance TEA-LU §1101(a)(12); §1304</p>	<p>Creates a “New Starts-like” discretionary program for “mega” road projects. Only projects costing the lesser of \$500M or 75% of the sponsoring state’s annual federal highway assistance program are eligible.</p> <table><tr><td>Bill:</td><td>Year 1</td><td>Year 2</td><td>Year 3</td><td>Year 4</td><td>Year 5</td><td>Year 6</td><td>TOTAL</td></tr><tr><td>TEA-21</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>\$ -</td></tr><tr><td>Senate Bill</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>\$ -</td></tr><tr><td>House Bill</td><td>\$2900</td><td>\$2900</td><td>\$2900</td><td>\$2900</td><td>\$3000</td><td>\$3000</td><td>\$17600</td></tr></table> <p>Criteria for competitive grants include: generate national benefits, reduce congestion, improve safety, leverage non-federal investment, etc. Projects would be evaluated and rated in manner similar to New Starts program. Projects funded through a Full Funding Grant Agreement. One can anticipate that this program will operate similarly as the New Starts program; highly competitive, congressionally earmarked, etc.</p> <p>On its merits, the I-5 Project would be eligible and competitive for “mega” project funds. Perhaps Sunrise Corridor would also be eligible. <u>However, the utility of this program to Oregon depends on our ability to be competitive in a national process.</u> Oregon has done well with New Starts funds, but no other discretionary program. Without members that are Committee Chairs, in leadership positions or on Appropriations, <u>it may be unrealistic to count on concurrently securing FFGAs and appropriations for a New Starts project and a Mega project.</u></p> <p>If the amount of funds authorized for mega projects were made available through a formula program with an apportionment similar to NHS, Oregon would be allocated about \$220M over six years. A “bird in hand ...,” We should determine whether Oregon would be better served with funds in a formula program than in this mega project program. The exception may be I-5, where with help from State of Washington, the mega project program could be beneficial.</p>	Bill:	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	TOTAL	TEA-21	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	\$ -	Senate Bill	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	\$ -	House Bill	\$2900	\$2900	\$2900	\$2900	\$3000	\$3000	\$17600
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	<p>Freight Intermodal Connectors TEA-LU §1101(a)(18); §1303</p>	<p>New formula program with 80% federal share. Funds apportioned to states on basis of one third each of (i) the state's percent of the national total number of freight intermodal connectors, (ii) the state's percentage contribution to the Trust Fund and (iii) the NHS formula.</p> <table><tr><td>Bill:</td><td>Year 1</td><td>Year 2</td><td>Year 3</td><td>Year 4</td><td>Year 5</td><td>Year 6</td><td>TOTAL</td></tr><tr><td>TEA-21</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>\$ -</td></tr><tr><td>Senate Bill</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>\$ -</td></tr><tr><td>House Bill</td><td>\$0300</td><td>\$0400</td><td>\$0500</td><td>\$0600</td><td>\$0600</td><td>\$0600</td><td>\$3000</td></tr></table> <p>Funds must be used for construction of publicly owned intermodal connectors and related operational improvements. Priority is to be given to NHS intermodal connectors. Funds can be used for other road projects if state certifies there are no intermodal connector needs. While program is a formula apportionment (which is generally better for Oregon), it is likely that formula produces lower share than NHS formula. <u>Generally, JPACT should support increases in flexible programs, such as STP, and be wary of targeted or restrictive programs with new administrative requirements</u></p>	Bill:	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	TOTAL	TEA-21	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	\$ -	Senate Bill	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	\$ -	House Bill	\$0300	\$0400	\$0500	\$0600	\$0600	\$0600	\$3000
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	<p>Congestion Relief TEA-LU §1202</p>	<p>Requires that a portion of STP, NHS, CMAQ and Interstate Maintenance funds be dedicated for congestion relief activities. The portion to be dedicated is 10% of these funding categories times the percent of the state's population in urbanized areas with a population over 200,000. Each year 40% of the dedicated revenues must be allocated to congestion relief projects than can be implemented in one year, 35% to congestion relief projects that can be implemented in three years, and 25% to any congestion relief activity. This program is not a new funding source, but rather a limitation on flexibility and an additional administrative burden, and should be opposed.</p>																																
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	<p>TIFIA TEA-LU §1303 Amends 23 USC181-189</p>	<p>Threshold for eligibility reduced to \$50M. \$150M per year for six years authorized to support program. The maximum annual credit amounts set at \$2.6B.</p>																																




	TSM TEA-LU §1202 Amends 23 USC 133, 23 USC 149	Expends list of eligible projects for STP and CMAQ funds to include transportation system management and operations activities.
	ITS TEA-LU §1205 Adds 23 USC 150	Requires States to obligate a portion of their annual NHS, Interstate Maintenance, STP and CMAQ funds on ITS projects. The portion of a state's federal funds that must be spend on ITS is \$500M times the percent of federal road funds that state receives compared to the national total. For Oregon, this means about \$6M per year. This program is not a new funding source, but rather a limitation on flexibility and an additional administrative burden, and should be opposed.
	Tolling	Nothing proposed.
	Public Private Partnerships TEA-LU §1503	Section reserved, proposal to be added later.
	Design Build Contracts TEA-LU §1501	Section reserved, proposal to be added later.




TEA-LU (HR 3550)
TRANSIT TITLE ONLY
New Start and Small Start Programs Reviewed Separately

The House Transportation Reauthorization bill is the product of two committees. The House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee released a bill (TEA-LU) covering the highway and transit title. Because TEA-LU increases funding beyond existing capacity, new revenues must be enacted by the House Ways and Means Committee. Ways and Means has not yet produced a bill. So, the table below reviews only the transit elements of TEA-LU, except for the New Start and Small Start provisions that are reviewed separately. Only changes to TEA-21 are addressed. The table uses the following symbols to rate the overall affect of a proposed change.

Very Good	Good	Neutral	Bad	Very Bad	Unclear
					

Rating	Program/Issue TEA-LU Section Sect. of 49USC Amended	Summary of Issue/Explanation of Rating																																
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	Urban Area Formula Grants TEA-LU §3008 Amends 49USC 5307	TEA-LU provides an 87% increase in §5307 funds over TEA-21. Year 1 of TEA-LU only provides a 4% increase over Year 6 of TEA-21, but it includes a 13% per year increase each year thereafter.																																
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There are no other notable changes in the urban grant program. The Portland region receives about 0.8%-0.9% of the national appropriation of 5307 formula funds. Over its six years, the increased proposed by TEA-LU results in an additional \$120M for the Portland region compared to TEA-21.																																		







	Jobs Access Reverse Commute (JARC) TEA-LU §3017 Adds 49USC5316	<p>TEA-LU increases JARC funds by 140% compared to TEA-21.</p> <table><tr><th>Bill:</th><th>Year1</th><th>Year2</th><th>Year3</th><th>Year4</th><th>Year5</th><th>Year6</th><th>TOTAL</th></tr><tr><td>TEA-21</td><td></td><td>\$0.05</td><td>\$0.08</td><td>\$0.10</td><td>\$0.13</td><td>\$0.15</td><td>\$0.50</td></tr><tr><td>Senate Bill</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td></tr><tr><td>House Bill</td><td>\$0.175</td><td>\$0.185</td><td>\$0.195</td><td>\$0.205</td><td>\$0.215</td><td>\$0.225</td><td>\$1.200</td></tr></table> <p>Under TEA-21, JARC was a discretionary grant program that ultimately became one of federal earmarks. TEA-LU proposes to make JARC a formula program. 60% of funds would be apportioned to transit operators in urban areas with >200,000 population based on relative share of low-income persons and welfare recipients. 20% would be apportioned to states and 20% to urban areas with less than 200,000 population based on same factors. Not enough information to know impact on Oregon.</p>	Bill:	Year1	Year2	Year3	Year4	Year5	Year6	TOTAL	TEA-21		\$0.05	\$0.08	\$0.10	\$0.13	\$0.15	\$0.50	Senate Bill	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	House Bill	\$0.175	\$0.185	\$0.195	\$0.205	\$0.215	\$0.225	\$1.200
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	Clean Fuels Formula Grant Program TEA-LU §3009 Amends 49USC5308, 5338	<p>TEA-21 authorized specific amounts for Clean Fuels, but each year appropriators merged Clean Fuels authority into §5307 formula funds. TEA-LU increases authorization for Clean Fuel Program by 140%.</p> <table><tr><th>Bill:</th><th>Year1</th><th>Year2</th><th>Year3</th><th>Year4</th><th>Year5</th><th>Year6</th><th>TOTAL</th></tr><tr><td>TEA-21</td><td></td><td>\$0.05</td><td>\$0.05</td><td>\$0.05</td><td>\$0.05</td><td>\$0.05</td><td>\$0.25</td></tr><tr><td>Senate Bill</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>\$0.00</td></tr><tr><td>House Bill</td><td>\$0.10</td><td>\$0.10</td><td>\$0.10</td><td>\$0.10</td><td>\$0.10</td><td>\$0.10</td><td>\$0.60</td></tr></table> <p>However, TriMet would no longer be eligible for formula apportionments under the program. A recent EPA rule changed ozone standards; making Portland an “attainment area” rather than a “maintenance area.” The apportionment formula for Clean Fuels is based on weight factors for non-attainment. My read is that as an attainment area, that weight factor would be zero. To continue TriMet’s eligibility, add the following to 49USC5308(d)(2)(A):</p> <p>: <u>“(vii) 1.0 if, at the time of apportionment, the area is not designated as a nonattainment or maintenance area under the 8-hour ozone standard but was designated as a nonattainment area or maintenance area under the 1-hour ozone standard.”</u></p>	Bill:	Year1	Year2	Year3	Year4	Year5	Year6	TOTAL	TEA-21		\$0.05	\$0.05	\$0.05	\$0.05	\$0.05	\$0.25	Senate Bill	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	\$0.00	House Bill	\$0.10	\$0.10	\$0.10	\$0.10	\$0.10	\$0.10	\$0.60
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	Elderly and Disabled Formula Funds TEA-LU §3011 49USC5310, 5338	<p>TEA-LU increases E&D Formula funds by 90% compared to TEA-21.</p> <table><tr><th>Bill:</th><th>Year1</th><th>Year2</th><th>Year3</th><th>Year4</th><th>Year5</th><th>Year6</th><th>TOTAL</th></tr><tr><td>TEA-21</td><td>\$0.06</td><td>\$0.07</td><td>\$0.07</td><td>\$0.08</td><td>\$0.09</td><td>\$0.09</td><td>\$0.46</td></tr><tr><td>Senate Bill</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td></tr><tr><td>House Bill</td><td>\$0.10</td><td>\$0.12</td><td>\$0.14</td><td>\$0.15</td><td>\$0.17</td><td>\$0.19</td><td>\$0.87</td></tr></table> <p>The program is changed to allow funds to be used for operating expenses, at a 50% match ratio. A requirement to certify coordination with non-profits is added. Also requires that projects be derived from a “locally developed coordinated public transit-human services transportation plan.” The State of Oregon received on average 1.36% of E&D Formula funds from 1999-2003.</p>	Bill:	Year1	Year2	Year3	Year4	Year5	Year6	TOTAL	TEA-21	\$0.06	\$0.07	\$0.07	\$0.08	\$0.09	\$0.09	\$0.46	Senate Bill	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	House Bill	\$0.10	\$0.12	\$0.14	\$0.15	\$0.17	\$0.19	\$0.87
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



	New Start Funds TEA-LU §3010 49USC5309, 5338	<p>TEA-LU increases New Start funds for “major” projects by 87% compared to TEA-21, and that is on top of the “small start” funds.</p> <table><tr><td>Bill:</td><td>Year1</td><td>Year2</td><td>Year3</td><td>Year4</td><td>Year5</td><td>Year6</td><td>TOTAL</td></tr><tr><td>TEA-21</td><td>\$0800</td><td>\$0902</td><td>\$0980</td><td>\$1058</td><td>\$1136</td><td>\$1214</td><td>\$6090</td></tr><tr><td>Senate Bill</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td></tr><tr><td>House Bill</td><td>\$1350</td><td>\$1596</td><td>\$1791</td><td>\$2002</td><td>\$2197</td><td>\$2426</td><td>\$11362</td></tr></table> <p>Programmatic issues are discussed in a separate review.</p>	Bill:	Year1	Year2	Year3	Year4	Year5	Year6	TOTAL	TEA-21	\$0800	\$0902	\$0980	\$1058	\$1136	\$1214	\$6090	Senate Bill	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	House Bill	\$1350	\$1596	\$1791	\$2002	\$2197	\$2426	\$11362
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TEA - LU
New Start/Small Start Program Issues







This analysis examines Section 3010 (Capital Investment Grants) of HR 3550 (Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users), which primarily amends Section 5309 of the Transit Act, Section 3037, which authorizes fixed guideway projects for Final Design and Construction, and Section 3034, which authorizes funding for such capital grants. The changes proposed to the provisions of TEA-21 in TEA-LU are described in the table below. The table uses the following symbols to describe the overall affect of a proposed change.

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SECTION 3010 OF H.R. 3550		
Rating	Section: Issue	Summary of Issue/Rating
	§5309(a)(1) General Authority	Loans of §5309 Funds no longer permitted, does not affect Portland region projects.
Major (>\$75M) Fixed Guideway Projects		
	§5309(c): Establish Category for Major Capital Investment Grants	\$75M threshold for full new starts evaluation process allows streetcar projects to proceed without onerous criteria.
	Deleted from TEA-21: Exemption from New Starts Criteria for Entirely Flexible Funded Projects	TEA-21 exempts from the New Starts review “part of a project financed completely with amounts made available from the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account).” Thus, a MOS entirely funded with STP funds is exempt from New Starts criteria under TEA-21. Under TEA-LU such an MOS would be subject to New Starts review. This would affect a small streetcar project funded entirely with MTIP funds.
	§5309(c)(2)(B): Justification Criteria for Major Projects	The factors considered in FTA’s “comprehensive review” are expanded to include “transit supportive policies” and “existing land use.” While “transit supportive policies” helps Portland region, “existing land use” helps mega-cities like NY, Chicago, etc. and hurts Portland. A preferable factor is “land use policies.”







'Small Starts' (<\$75M) Program		
	§5309(d)(1): \$75M "Small Starts" Threshold	Overall, the small starts program much more supportive of streetcar projects than the major fixed guideway program. But some specifics, discussed below, are troublesome.
	§5309(d)(1): \$25M "Exempt" Threshold	TEA-LU does not proscribe any processes or criteria for "exempt projects" (i.e. <\$25M). Congress should set parameters for exempt projects rather than leave it entirely to FTA.
	§5309(d)(2) and (3): Alternatives Analysis Required	§5309(d)(2) and (3) require that the evaluation of small starts be based on the results of Alternatives Analysis (AA). AA requires consideration of non-streetcar project alternatives, probably including a baseline alternative for cost effectiveness rating. Unless narrowed by statute, this will lead to considerable FTA involvement and interference. Thus, amend §5309(d)(2)(A) as follows "(A) based on the result of planning and alternatives analysis <u>(as used in this subsection, alternatives analysis requires a comparison only to the no build alternative).</u> "
	§5309(d)(4)(A) and (C): Project Justification Factors	While the justification of "major" projects must consider "operating efficiencies," "environmental benefits," "mobility" and "existing land use," these factors are not considered in evaluating small start projects. This helps because small starts would not be competitive with regard to these factors. Paragraph C establishes "positive effect on local economic development" as a key criterion. This helps Portland streetcar projects.
	§5309(d)(4)(B): Cost Effectiveness	Grant approval requires consideration of "cost effectiveness at the time of the initiation of revenue service." FTA is provided 120 days after bill passage to develop regulations on how cost effectiveness (CE) will be evaluated. If history is an indication, FTA will propose a CE that compares the small start project with a baseline alternative. This begins to drag the "streamlined" small starts process into the same issues that delay "major" projects. Also, CE is evaluated when operations start, rather than the normal 20-year basis; making "cost per rider" and "cost per new rider" measures worse for small starts than for "major" projects. Bill should define parameters for CE calculation, rather than leaving to FTA discretion, as follows: "B. determine cost effectiveness <u>based on the amount of development leveraged by the transit investment (compared to the no build alternative)</u> at the time of the initiation of revenue service."
	§5309(d)(5): Local Financial Commitment	The bill excludes for "small starts" certain financial evaluation factors required of "major" projects, such as "the extent to which ... local financial commitment exceeds the required non-Federal share ...," and "local resources are available to operate the overall proposed public transportation system ...without ... a reduction in existing ... services ..." These are very helpful exclusions. However, their absence in the bill does not necessarily mean they will not be part of FTA's ratings Congress should clarify that rating factors required in the bill of "major" projects but not "small starts" establish legislative intent to exclude such factors for "small start" ratings.


	§5309(d)(7) and (8): Construction Grant Agreements	In lieu of Full Funding Grant Agreements (FFGA), “small starts” receive Construction Grant Agreements (CGA). The content of a FFGA and CGA appear similar. But a FFGA requires 60-day congressional review, and a CGA does not. FTA requires 60% Final Design completion before starting FFGA negotiations, and up to 1 year to complete the FFGA approval process. To avoid this aberrant delay, add to the end of §5309(d)(8) “ <u>Construction Grant Agreements may be issued at the start of Final Design and cover the cost of Final Design and construction.</u> ”
	§309(d)(10): Eligible Projects in Small Starts Program	Small starts include “corridor-based public transportation bus capital projects if the majority of the project’s corridor right of way is ... for exclusive use by public transportation ... all or part of the day.” This limits small start program funding for BRT projects to only those with substantial bus-only lanes.
Other New Start Provisions in Sec. 3010 of H.R. 3550:		
	§5309(e): Grandfather Provisions	Only projects with a FFGA or Letter of Intent (LOI) before enactment of the bill are exempt from the provisions for “major” projects and “small starts.” This is a serious problem for Commuter Rail, which will not have a FFGA in time. Commuter Rail will be subject to the small start provisions and await enactment of “small start” rules before proceeding – undoubtedly a year delay. Also, Commuter Rail will be re-evaluated based on “small start” factors; reopening discussions with FTA on the merits of the project. A non-bill fix is to obtain a LOI for Commuter Rail prior to bill enactment (recall an LOI requires 2-month congressional review). Alternatively, amend provision as follows: “Subsections (c) and (d) do not apply to projects for which the Secretary has issued a letter of intent or entered into a full funding grant agreement before the date of enactment ... <u>Subsection (d) does not apply to projects for which the Secretary has approved Final Design before the date of enactment [of the bill]</u> ”
 ?	§5309(f)(4)(A): Limitations on Amounts that can be Obligated	Section is hard to decipher, but looks like the amount that can be contingently committed to projects is raised from 2-years worth of authorization under TEA-21 to 3-years under TEA-LU.
	§5309(f)(5): Notification of Congress	Eliminates House and Senate Appropriations Committees from notice of intent to issue a FFGA. Doubt that this stops Istook-like problems.
?	§5309(g)(2): Remainder of Net Project Cost	Do not know what this means.
 ?	§5309(g)(3): FTA Not Authorized to Require Local Match in excess of 20 percent	Sounds good, but hard to reconcile with other provisions. §5309(c)(3)(D)(iv) states that the amount of overmatch shall be considered in evaluating local financing. §5309(c)(4) states that the degree of local financial commitment is a basis for determining the rating of a project. §5309(g)(3) may mean that FTA cannot <u>automatically</u> rate projects Not Recommended because they have only 20% match, but can rate projects with >20% local match higher.




	§5309(g)(4): Project Cost can Include Previously Purchased Vehicles	Permits the cost of a project to include vehicles purchased for the project before FTA approved the project. Requires that no federal funds were used to purchase such vehicles. May be way to get reimbursement for 10 “option” LRVs. Do not know what last sentence in provision means.
	§5309(m)(1): Small Start Funds Allocated “Off-the-Top” of Capital Funds	Funding for small start program is carved out of capital funding program before the 40-40-20 split to new starts, rail mod and bus capital. This mitigates the hit on New Starts. This will be further addressed below in explanation of Section 3034 of HR 3550.
	§5309(m)(1)(B): Small Starts cannot access funds for “Major” New Starts	Provides that 40 percent of funds remaining after allocation to “small starts” are for “ <i>major new fixed guideway capital projects</i> .” §5309(c)(5) defines “major” as costing over \$75M. Thus, this category is not available for small starts; ensuring that “small starts” projects, such as FTA-favored BRT projects, cannot use-up funding for LRT projects.
	§5309(m)(4): New Start funds must be derived from General Fund	Puts full onus of General Fund appropriations on “major” fixed guideway projects. Rumor is that General Funds are guaranteed, but there is nothing apparent in bill that provides guarantee. Small starts do not appropriation risk because a specified amount of funds is annually allocated; and the full amount will come from Trust Fund if General Funds are not appropriated. Rail Mod and Bus/Bus-Related do not share in risk because they are funded with Trust Funds. Creates need for small constituency of congresspersons with LRT interests to secure large, annual general fund appropriations. Need to get New Starts on Trust Fund rather than General Fund, or, at least, spread General Fund risk to broader constituency. One option is to delete §5309(m)(4), which would cause appropriations risk to be spread among all capital investments (New Starts, small starts, Rail Mod and Bus/Bus-Related). A broader fix would be to change allocations in §5338 (see Section 3034 of HR 3550) to have General Fund applied to formula grants and allocate only Trust Funds to capital program.
SECTION 3034 OF H.R. 3550		
	§5338(b)(2)(C): Allocation to Small Starts is Only for Small Starts	States that “ <i>the Secretary shall make available for capital investment grants of less than \$75,000,000 under section 5309(d).</i> ” Ensures that “major” projects do not have access to small start funds.
SECTION 3037 and 3038 of H.R. 3550		
	§5309(m)(I)(B): Portland Projects Not Yet Authorized for Final Design and Construction	Other than IMAX, Portland projects are not yet authorized in bill. Must get Commuter Rail and I-205 LRT authorized in this section for Final Design and Construction. Also, need Portland Streetcar, and I-5 LRT authorized; although they can, if necessary, at first be authorized for alternatives analysis and preliminary engineering and later for Final Design and construction. Also, should think about earmarking bus/bus-related projects in Section 3038 of HR 3550.



**SAFETEA (S. 1072) by EPW Committee
As Amended November 9, 2003**



The Senate's Transportation Reauthorization bill is the product of three committees. The Finance Committee is responsible for raising revenues that support the transit and highway titles. The Banking Committee proposes the transit title, and the Environment and Public Works (EPW) Committee proposes the highway title. At this time, neither the Finance Committee nor the Banking Committee has produced a draft bill. Thus, this review of the EPW bill addresses only highway provisions. Only changes to TEA-21 are reviewed in the table below. The table uses the following symbols to describe the overall affect of a proposed change.

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


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	Interstate Maintenance Program SAFTEA §1101(1) Amends 23 USC 129	If revenue is enhanced, SAFETEA provides 60% higher Interstate Maintenance funding than TEA 21, and 17% higher IM funding than TEA-LU.
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





	National Highway System Program SAFETEA §1102(2) Amends 23 USC 103	<p>If <u>revenue is enhanced</u>, SAFETEA provides 61% higher National Highway System funding than TEA 21, and 18% higher NHS funding than TEA-LU.</p> <table><tr><td>Bill:</td><td>Year 1</td><td>Year 2</td><td>Year 3</td><td>Year 4</td><td>Year 5</td><td>Year 6</td><td>TOTAL</td></tr><tr><td>TEA-21</td><td>\$4.112</td><td>\$4.749</td><td>\$4.793</td><td>\$4.888</td><td>\$4.968</td><td>\$5.061</td><td>\$28.571</td></tr><tr><td>EPW Bill</td><td>\$6.650</td><td>\$7.650</td><td>\$7.950</td><td>\$7.950</td><td>\$7.950</td><td>\$7.950</td><td>\$46.100</td></tr><tr><td>House Bill</td><td>\$5.401</td><td>\$5.986</td><td>\$6.431</td><td>\$6.854</td><td>\$7.039</td><td>\$7.287</td><td>\$38.998</td></tr></table>	Bill:	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	TOTAL	TEA-21	\$4.112	\$4.749	\$4.793	\$4.888	\$4.968	\$5.061	\$28.571	EPW Bill	\$6.650	\$7.650	\$7.950	\$7.950	\$7.950	\$7.950	\$46.100	House Bill	\$5.401	\$5.986	\$6.431	\$6.854	\$7.039	\$7.287	\$38.998								
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


	<p>CMAQ Program SAFETEA §1102(5); §1611 Amends 23 USC 104(b)(2); 149</p>	<p>Consistent with other existing funding sources, SAFETEA proposes to increase CMAQ funding by 59% compared to TEA-21.</p> <table><tr><td>Bill:</td><td>Year 1</td><td>Year 2</td><td>Year 3</td><td>Year 4</td><td>Year 5</td><td>Year 6</td><td>TOTAL</td></tr><tr><td>TEA-21</td><td>\$1.193</td><td>\$1.345</td><td>\$1.358</td><td>\$1.385</td><td>\$1.407</td><td>\$1.434</td><td>\$ 8.122</td></tr><tr><td>Senate Bill</td><td>\$1.900</td><td>\$2.150</td><td>\$2.225</td><td>\$2.225</td><td>\$2.225</td><td>\$2.225</td><td>\$12.950</td></tr><tr><td>House Bill</td><td>\$1.530</td><td>\$1.696</td><td>\$1.822</td><td>\$1.942</td><td>\$1.994</td><td>\$2.065</td><td>\$11.049</td></tr></table> <p>However, several factors work to make the proposed increase in CMAQ funds unattractive for Portland. EPA recently issued a rule changing the ozone standards, which results reclassifying Portland as an “attainment area” rather than a “maintenance area.” This results in Portland losing its eligibility for ozone-related CMAQ funds. Also, SAFETEA incorporates an apportionment factor relating to “fine particulates.” This has the affect of spreading CMAQ funds to more areas, resulting in decreased CMAQ funds for “attainment” areas like Portland. Accordingly:</p> <p>(a) (b) Allow Portland to retain its eligibility for ozone-related CMAQ funds by amending §1611(2) of SAFETEA to include: <u>“(x) 1.0 if, at the time of apportionment, the area is not designated as a nonattainment or maintenance area under the 8-hour ozone standard but was designated as a nonattainment area or maintenance area under the 1-hour ozone standard.”</u></p> <p>(b) <i>Support the change in the apportionment factor from .8 to 1.0 for areas achieving “Maintenance” statys</i></p>	Bill:	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	TOTAL	TEA-21	\$1.193	\$1.345	\$1.358	\$1.385	\$1.407	\$1.434	\$ 8.122	Senate Bill	\$1.900	\$2.150	\$2.225	\$2.225	\$2.225	\$2.225	\$12.950	House Bill	\$1.530	\$1.696	\$1.822	\$1.942	\$1.994	\$2.065	\$11.049
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	<p>Transportation & Community & System Preservation Pilot Prog SAFETEA §1814 Adds 23 USC 175</p>	<p>This is a revision to Sen. Wyden’s TCSP program. \$50M per year for six years is authorized for program, doubling the amount in TEA-21. Remains a competitive program (assuming it is not fully earmarked each year) for planning, development and implementation of community and system preservation projects such as TOD, impact mitigation and jobs access projects. Priority given to applicants have policies, such as UGBs, green corridors, etc. Funds must be allocated equitably to a diversity of populations and geographic regions.</p>																																

	<p>Multi-State Corridor SAFETEA §1101(10); §1810. Creates 23USC171</p> <p>Border Planning, Operations, Tech. SAFETEA §1101(11); §1811 Creates 23USC172</p>	<p>“Corridor” funds are a key discretionary source for PE/EIS work for the I-5 Trade Corridor. Oregon is not eligible for “Border” funds. Under TEA-21, “Border” and “Corridor” funds were authorized as one program. About 80% of the funds were allocated to “Corridor” projects. SAFETEA establishes independent funding authorizations for both programs, as does TEA-LU. SAFETEA also revises the eligibility requirements, but this may be of little consequence because funds have historically been earmarked by Congress. While SAFETEA increases Border & Corridor funds by 141%, it splits the funds evenly between the Border and Corridor programs. This has the affect of substantially increasing Border funds and only marginally increasing Corridor funds. The House Bill (TEA-LU) is illustrative of a Border-Corridor apportionment that is consistent with past practice. Also, many projects eligible for Border Program funds are also eligible for Corridor Program funds; allowing them to “double dip.”</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Borders and Corridors Programs <i>In TEA-21 Programs Combined, in SAFETEA/TEA-LU Separate Programs</i></p> <table><tr><th>Bill:</th><th>Year 1</th><th>Year 2</th><th>Year 3</th><th>Year 4</th><th>Year 5</th><th>Year 6</th><th>TOTAL</th></tr><tr><td>TEA-21; B&C.</td><td>\$0.140</td><td>\$0.140</td><td>\$0.140</td><td>\$0.140</td><td>\$0.140</td><td>\$0.140</td><td>\$0.840</td></tr><tr><td>Senate Bill: Corridors</td><td>\$0.112</td><td>\$0.135</td><td>\$0.157</td><td>\$0.180</td><td>\$0.202</td><td>\$0.225</td><td>\$1.011</td></tr><tr><td>Senate Bill: Borders</td><td>\$0.112</td><td>\$0.135</td><td>\$0.157</td><td>\$0.180</td><td>\$0.202</td><td>\$0.225</td><td>\$1.011</td></tr><tr><td>Senate Bill: B&C</td><td>\$0.224</td><td>\$0.270</td><td>\$0.314</td><td>\$0.360</td><td>\$0.404</td><td>\$0.450</td><td>\$2.022</td></tr><tr><td>House Bill: Corridors</td><td>\$0.500</td><td>\$0.900</td><td>\$0.900</td><td>\$0.900</td><td>\$0.900</td><td>\$0.900</td><td>\$5.000</td></tr><tr><td>House Bill: Borders</td><td>\$0.200</td><td>\$0.300</td><td>\$0.325</td><td>\$0.350</td><td>\$0.400</td><td>\$0.400</td><td>\$1.975</td></tr><tr><td>House Bill: B&C</td><td>\$0.700</td><td>\$1.200</td><td>\$1.225</td><td>\$1.250</td><td>\$1.300</td><td>\$1.300</td><td>\$6.975</td></tr></table> <p>To resolve these issues:</p> <p>(a) Amend §1101(10) and §1101(11), to either (i) combine the separate authorities into one combined authority, as in TEA-21, or (ii) revise the relative funding levels between these programs to better reflect the size of the pool of eligible projects for these programs.</p> <p>(b) In §1811, make projects using Border Program funds ineligible for Corridor Program funding.</p>	Bill:	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	TOTAL	TEA-21; B&C.	\$0.140	\$0.140	\$0.140	\$0.140	\$0.140	\$0.140	\$0.840	Senate Bill: Corridors	\$0.112	\$0.135	\$0.157	\$0.180	\$0.202	\$0.225	\$1.011	Senate Bill: Borders	\$0.112	\$0.135	\$0.157	\$0.180	\$0.202	\$0.225	\$1.011	Senate Bill: B&C	\$0.224	\$0.270	\$0.314	\$0.360	\$0.404	\$0.450	\$2.022	House Bill: Corridors	\$0.500	\$0.900	\$0.900	\$0.900	\$0.900	\$0.900	\$5.000	House Bill: Borders	\$0.200	\$0.300	\$0.325	\$0.350	\$0.400	\$0.400	\$1.975	House Bill: B&C	\$0.700	\$1.200	\$1.225	\$1.250	\$1.300	\$1.300	\$6.975
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	<p>Interstate Discretionary Projects SAFETEA §1805 Amends 23USC118(c)(1)</p>	<p>The set aside from the Interstate Maintenance Program for Interstate Discretionary Projects is raised to \$100M per year for six years (up from \$50M).</p>																																																																

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	<p>Highway Safety Improvement Prog. SAFETEA §1101(6); §1401; Replaces 23 USC 148</p>	<p>SAFETEA repeals the safety set-aside as part of the STP program and replaces it with a new, formula program with a 90% federal share. This new, highly funded safety program is in addition to safety programs continued under SAFETEA. Funds are formula allocated to states based on road mileage, VMT and amount of gas tax collections. Do not know how Oregon fares based on this formula.</p> <table><tr><td>Bill:</td><td>Year 1</td><td>Year 2</td><td>Year 3</td><td>Year 4</td><td>Year 5</td><td>Year 6</td><td>TOTAL</td></tr><tr><td>TEA-21</td><td>N/A</td><td>N/A</td><td>N/A</td><td>N/A</td><td>N/A</td><td>N/A</td><td>N/A</td></tr><tr><td>Senate Bill</td><td>\$1.200</td><td>\$1.300</td><td>\$1.350</td><td>\$1.350</td><td>\$1.350</td><td>\$1.350</td><td>\$7.900</td></tr><tr><td>House Bill</td><td>\$1.000</td><td>\$1.100</td><td>\$1.200</td><td>\$1.300</td><td>\$1.400</td><td>\$1.500</td><td>\$7.500</td></tr></table> <p>A pre-requisite for funding is a State Strategic Highway Safety Plan, prepared in compliance with statutory specifications. Eligible projects must be included in this plan and comply with statutory requirements. Project requirements do not appear onerous, but do not know how they comply with Oregon/Portland priorities. <u>Generally, JPACT should support increases in flexible programs, such as STP, and be wary of targeted or restrictive programs with new administrative requirements.</u></p>	Bill:	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	TOTAL	TEA-21	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Senate Bill	\$1.200	\$1.300	\$1.350	\$1.350	\$1.350	\$1.350	\$7.900	House Bill	\$1.000	\$1.100	\$1.200	\$1.300	\$1.400	\$1.500	\$7.500
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	<p>Safe Routes to Schools SAFETEA §1405 Adds 23USC150</p>	<p>Creates a \$70M per year, six-year set-aside from Highway Safety Improvement Program (above) for sidewalks, traffic calming, bicycle facilities, etc. in the vicinity of schools.</p>																																
	<p>Infrastructure Performance and Maintenance Prog. SAFETEA §1101(13); §1201 Adds 23 USC 139</p>	<p>New program focused on highway preservation and operational improvements, only limited capacity enhancements are permitted. Funds must be obligated to projects within 180 days of appropriation or lost. Bill does not specify criteria or an apportionment formula.</p> <table><tr><td>Bill:</td><td>Year 1</td><td>Year 2</td><td>Year 3</td><td>Year 4</td><td>Year 5</td><td>Year 6</td><td>TOTAL</td></tr><tr><td>TEA-21</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>\$ -</td></tr><tr><td>Senate Bill</td><td>\$2.500</td><td>\$2.500</td><td>\$2.000</td><td>\$2.000</td><td>\$2.000</td><td>\$0.500</td><td>\$11.500</td></tr><tr><td>House Bill</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>NA</td><td>\$ -</td></tr></table> <p>Bill does not specify criteria or an apportionment formula; therefore do not know how much Oregon would receive. This appears to be a large program that is intended to phase-out. <u>Portland/Oregon objectives better met with more flexible and lasting highway programs.</u></p>	Bill:	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	TOTAL	TEA-21	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	\$ -	Senate Bill	\$2.500	\$2.500	\$2.000	\$2.000	\$2.000	\$0.500	\$11.500	House Bill	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	\$ -
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	Freight Intermodal Connectors to NHS SAFETEA §1203(c) Amends 23USC103(b)	Of the NHS funds allocated to Oregon, the greater of (i) 2% or (ii) the percentage of NHS miles connecting to intermodal terminals of total NHS miles in the State must be set aside for intermodal freight connector projects. State can seek exemption from set aside each year, if State certifies intermodal connectors are in good condition and there are significant NHS needs. Set aside funds have only 10% local match requirement.
OTHER PROGRAMS AND POLICIES <i>(Research not Addressed, Defer to PSU)</i>		
	TIFIA SAFETEA §1303 Amends 23 USC181-189	Eligible projects expanded to include intermodal freight facilities, private rail facilities “providing public benefit,” etc. State and regional planning and programming requirements do not have to be met until contract to receive federal credit instrument is executed. Threshold for eligibility reduced to \$50M or 20% of federal highway assistance apportioned to State (down from \$100M or 50%). Maximum assistance under TIFIA limited by the amount of senior debt – makes clearer that TIFIA is not to be the primary borrowing. \$130M per year for six years authorized to support program.
	Freight SAFETEA §1203 Adds 23 USC 325	In addition to Freight-NHS connector program discussed above, SAFETEA includes several policies and programs related to freight. Intermodal connectors and transfer facilities are made eligible for STP funds. Requires creation of State Freight Transportation Coordinator and integration of freight issues into State and Regional Transportation Planning.
	Tolling HOV Lanes SAFETEA §1606 Amends 23 USC 102 Tolling Programs SAFETEA §1609(a)	Allows states to establish toll program to charge non-carpools to travel in HOV lanes. Criteria for eligibility for Interstate System Reconstruction and Rehabilitation Pilot program made more flexible. May have applicability for I-5 Trade Corridor. Variable Toll Pricing Program extended, with favorable provisions. May have applicability for I-5 Trade Corridor.
	MPO Funding SAFETEA §1102(b) Amends 23 USC 104(f)	Requires a 1.5% set aside of highway funds (after deduction for DOT administrative expenses) for metropolitan planning. TEA-21 had a “not to exceed 1%” requirement.
 ?	Local Match SAFETEA §1301 Amends 23USC120(d)	Expands ability to increase federal share of highway funding above 90% (for interstates) and 80% (for other roads) based on percent of State land in national parks, national forests, tribal lands, etc. Authority already exists for some states. Do not know affect of change on Oregon.

	Transportation Funding Study SAFETEA §1305	Establishes 11-person <i>National Commission on Future Revenue Sources to Support the Highway Trust Fund</i> to study alternatives to replace or supplement the fuel tax as the principal source to support the Highway Trust Fund.
	RTP and TIP SAFETEA §1615 Amends 23 USC 134	Changes interval that MPO is required to update RTP from “ <i>periodically as determined by Secretary</i> ” (every 3 years) to five years. TIP program extended from every three years to every four years.
	Historic Site SAFETEA §1604 Amends 23 USC 103(c)	Section aimed at generally exempting the interstate system from being considered an historic site for purposes of 23 USC 138 or 49 USC 303. However, in doing so it states that a “ <i>portion of the Interstate System that possesses an independent feature of historic significance, such as a historic bridge ... that would qualify independently for Listing on the National Register of Historic Places shall be considered a historic site ...</i> ” This affects the ability to replace the I-5 Bridge to Vancouver.

Attachment 1 to Exhibit “B-4”

Proposed CMAQ apportionment formula amendment to correct the unintended consequence of the change in the 1-hour to an 8-hour standard for ozone.

- A. The current CMAQ apportionment formula (the excerpt below is the section of Title 23 dealing with CMAQ apportionment) provides for the distribution of CMAQ funds to states based upon the population of the areas designated as “non-attainment” and “maintenance” with a factor weighted for the severity of the pollution in the area [subsections (i) through (vii) are the weighting factors]. The Portland region historically was in “non-attainment” of the 1-hour standard for ozone and in 1996 was redesignated as a “maintenance” area. Maintenance areas have met the ozone standard and have an approved 10-year plan to continue to maintain the standard. In 2003, EPA changed the ozone standard from a 1-hour standard to an 8-hour standard. Under the new 8-hour standard, the Portland area is redesignated to “attainment” status, making the area no longer eligible for distribution of CMAQ funds on the basis of ozone. The amendment described below would recognize the Portland area’s previous status under the 1-hour standard and restore CMAQ distribution.**

“Title 23 – Highways; Chapter 1 – Federal Aid Highways; Subchapter 1 – General Provisions; Section 104 Apportionment; Subsection (2) Congestion mitigation and air quality improvement program.--

(A) In general.--For the congestion mitigation and air quality improvement program, in the ratio that--

- (i) the total of all weighted nonattainment and maintenance area populations in each State; bears to
- (ii) the total of all weighted nonattainment and maintenance area populations in all States.

(B) Calculation of weighted nonattainment and maintenance area population.--Subject to subparagraph (C), for the purpose of subparagraph (A), the weighted nonattainment and maintenance area population shall be calculated by multiplying the population of each area in a State that was a nonattainment area or maintenance area as described in section 149(b) for ozone or carbon monoxide by a factor of--

(i) 0.8 if--

(I) at the time of the apportionment, the area is a maintenance area; or

(II) at the time of the apportionment, the area is classified as a submarginal ozone nonattainment area under the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.);

(ii) 1.0 if, at the time of the apportionment, the area is classified as a marginal ozone nonattainment area under subpart 2 of part D of title I of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7511 et seq.);

(iii) 1.1 if, at the time of the apportionment, the area is classified as a moderate ozone nonattainment area under such subpart;

(iv) 1.2 if, at the time of the apportionment, the area

is classified as a serious ozone nonattainment area under such subpart;

(v) 1.3 if, at the time of the apportionment, the area is classified as a severe ozone nonattainment area under such subpart;

(vi) 1.4 if, at the time of the apportionment, the area is classified as an extreme ozone nonattainment area under such subpart; or

(vii) 1.0 if, at the time of the apportionment, the area is not a nonattainment or maintenance area as described in section 149(b) for ozone, but is classified under subpart 3 of part D of title I of such Act (42 U.S.C. 7512 et seq.) as a nonattainment area described in section 149(b) for carbon monoxide.

(C) Additional adjustment for carbon monoxide areas.--

(i) Carbon monoxide nonattainment areas.--If, in addition to being classified as a nonattainment or maintenance area for ozone, the area was also classified under subpart 3 of part D of title I of such Act (42 U.S.C. 7512 et seq.) as a nonattainment area described in section 149(b) for carbon monoxide, the weighted nonattainment or maintenance area population of the area, as determined under clauses (i) through (vi) of subparagraph (B), shall be further multiplied by a factor of 1.2.

(ii) Carbon monoxide maintenance areas.--If, in addition to being classified as a nonattainment or maintenance area for ozone, the area was at one time also classified under subpart 3 of part D of title I of such Act (42 U.S.C. 7512 et seq.) as a nonattainment area described in section 149(b) for carbon monoxide but has been redesignated as a maintenance area, the weighted nonattainment or maintenance area population of the area, as determined under clauses (i) through (vi) of subparagraph (B), shall be further multiplied by a factor of 1.1.

(D) Minimum apportionment.--Notwithstanding any other provision of this paragraph, each State shall receive a minimum of $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1 percent of the funds apportioned under this paragraph.

(E) Determinations of population.--In determining population figures for the purposes of this paragraph, the Secretary shall use the latest available annual estimates prepared by the Secretary of Commerce.

B. In paragraph (1) below, SAFETEA changes the apportionment formula by changing the weighting factor for “maintenance” areas from 0.8 to 1.0 thereby having the affect of removing the disincentive of a 20% funding reduction for areas that have cleaned up their air and met federal ozone standards. This is a significant improvement and should be supported.

In paragraph (2) below, SAFETEA changes the apportionment formula by adding two more subsections [(viii) and (ix)] with weighting factors to apportion funds to areas

previously not designated under the old 1-hour ozone standard but now designated under the new 8-hour ozone standard and to apportion funds to areas with violations to the particulate standard. Inserted into subparagraph (2) below is a new section (x) proposed for inclusion by the Portland region to recognize areas like the Portland region that were previously designated under the 1-hour standard.

SAFETEA: SEC. 1611. ADDITION OF PARTICULATE MATTER AREAS TO CMAQ.

Section 104(b)(2) of title 23, United States Code, is amended--

(1) in subparagraph B--

(A) in the matter preceding clause (i), by striking 'ozone or carbon monoxide' and inserting 'ozone, carbon monoxide, or fine particulate matter (PM_{2.5})';

(B) by striking clause (i) and inserting the following:

'(i) 1.0, if at the time of apportionment, the area is a maintenance area;';

(C) in clause (vi), by striking 'or' after the semicolon; and

(D) in clause (vii), by striking 'area as described in section 149(b) for ozone,' and inserting 'area for ozone (as described in section 149(b)) or for PM-2.5';

(2) by adding at the end the following:

'(viii) 1.0 if, at the time of apportionment, any county that is not designated as a nonattainment or maintenance area under the 1-hour ozone standard is designated as nonattainment under the 8-hour ozone standard;

'(ix) 1.2 if, at the time of apportionment, the area is not a nonattainment or maintenance area as described in section 149(b) for ozone or carbon monoxide, but is an area designated nonattainment under the PM-2.5 standard.'

"(x) 1.0 if, at the time of apportionment, the area is not designated as a nonattainment or maintenance area under the 8-hour ozone standard but was designated as a nonattainment area or maintenance area under the 1-hour ozone standard."

(3) by striking subparagraph (C) and inserting the following:

'(C) ADDITIONAL ADJUSTMENT FOR CARBON MONOXIDE AREAS-- If, in addition to being designated as a nonattainment or maintenance area for ozone as described in section 149(b), any county within the area was also classified under subpart 3 of part D of title I of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7512 et seq.) as a nonattainment or maintenance area described in section 149(b) for carbon monoxide, the weighted nonattainment or maintenance area population of the county, as determined under clauses (i) through (vi) or clause (viii) of subparagraph (B), shall be further multiplied by a factor of 1.2.';







(4) by redesignating subparagraph (D) and (E) as subparagraphs (E) and (F) respectively; and



(5) by inserting after subparagraph (C) the following:




“(D) ADDITIONAL ADJUSTMENT FOR PM 2.5 AREAS- If, in addition to being designated as a nonattainment or maintenance area for ozone or carbon monoxide, or both as described in section 149(b), any county within the area was also designated under the PM-2.5 standard as a nonattainment or maintenance area, the weighted nonattainment or maintenance area population of those counties shall be further multiplied by a factor of 1.2.”

Metropolitan Congestion Relief Act (HR 3611)



The table uses the following symbols to rate the overall affect of a proposed change.

Very Good	Good	Neutral	Bad	Very Bad	Unclear
					

Rating	Program/Issue HR 3611 Section Sec. of 23USC Amended	Summary of Issue/Explanation of Rating
EXISTING FUNDING PROGRAMS Authorization Levels and Apportionment Formulae		
	STP Program HR 3611 §2 Amends 23 USC 133	Requires 100% of STP funds, rather than 62.5%, remaining after 10% set-aside for Safety and 10% set-aside for Enhancements to be allocated to MPOs; eliminating the State's STP program. This effectively increases the region's STP program by the 37.5% increment. This Bill does not address authorized funding levels, nor does it modify apportionment formula to the states. Bill raises policy question as to merits of cutting DOT's out of STP funds. While it would provide more MTIP funds, it makes ODOT less able to be a partner on projects. ODOT would no longer have a source of funds to contribute toward elderly & disabled transportation, bus replacement, high speed rail, LRT and TGM grants.
	CMAQ Program HR 3611 §3 Amends 23 USC 149	Requires States to formula allocate CMAQ funds (including minimum guarantee adjustments) and related obligation authority to MPO's. Certain limited CMAQ funds are exempt from this allocation. This Bill does not address authorized funding levels, nor does it modify apportionment formula to the states. This would make statutory current practice in Oregon. Funds would be allocated to MPOs based on the relative share of "nonattainment and maintenance populations." Since the Portland region is now an attainment region, it appears that no funds would be allocated to the region. This could be fixed by defining for purposes of this section "nonattainment" to include regions that were in nonattainment prior to the rules change. As a matter of practice, ODOT already does what is required by bill – so no real help to Portland region.

	<p>NHS Program HR 3611 §3 Amends 23 USC 103</p>	<p>Requires a certain portion of NHS funds to be allocated to urbanized areas. As used in this section, it appears that funds must be spent in urbanized areas, but the State still would determine the projects (not MPOs). This Bill does not address authorized funding levels, nor does it modify apportionment formula to the states.</p> <p>The formula divides NHS funds between those spent in urbanized areas with a population greater than 200,000 and other areas of the state as follows: (A) 75% based on relative share of lane miles on the NHS system and (B) 25% based on relative VMT. The bill is fuzzy on what happens if there is more than one urbanized area with 200,000+ populations. It could be read to imply there is or is not a sub-allocation to the various large urbanized areas.</p> <p>This program does not serve regional needs. It puts Metro in middle of ODOT's preservation plans when Metro is primarily focused on Modernization. Moreover, when ODOT does Modernization, funds are sub-allocated.</p>
	<p>Minimum Guarantee HR 3611 §5 Amends 23 USC 105(c)(2)</p>	<p>Requires that minimum guarantee funds apportioned to the STP program must be allocated to urbanized areas, just like the core STP program.</p>
	<p>Metropolitan Planning Funds HR 3611 § 8 Amends 23 USC 104(f)(1)</p>	<p>Doubles the percentage of funds set aside for metropolitan planning compared to TEA-21. Instead of 1% of the total authorization of core highway programs, metropolitan planning is raised to 2 %.</p>

NEW FUNDING PROGRAMS
Authorization Levels and Apportionment Formulae

	<p>Metropolitan Congestion Relief Program HR 3611 §6 Adds 23 USC 165</p>	<p>Creates a new highway funding program where funds are allocated directly to certain MPOs. Eligible MPO's include MPOs in urbanized areas with a population greater than 1 million <u>and</u> that have a "Travel Time Index" (TTI) as determined by the Texas Transportation Institute. The Portland region as a TTI of 1.44 in 2001 (the latest data). Under my count, 32 areas would be eligible. Eligible projects include projects that are eligible under STP program <u>and</u> MPO demonstrates that it will improve congestion in its region.</p> <p>\$2 billion per year for six years is proposed to be authorized. Funds would be allocated to MPOs as follows: (A) 50% based on the percent that the MPO's TTI bears to the total of all TTIs for eligible areas (I calculate that this is 3.25% for Metro) and (B) 50% based on the MPO's relative share of passenger miles traveled (do not have data for this). Undoubtedly, this would be a favorable allocation to Portland compared to other federal highway programs.</p> <p>There are a few odd things in the bill. Firstly, it uses the Texas Transportation Institute's calculation of TTI, which Metro and ODOT have complained about, and puts too much authority in the Institute. Also, the way TTI is measured changes periodically, and bill would require Institute's periodic changes to change allocation. Also, definition of "passenger miles" includes VMT and transit ridership – it must intend something different than transit ridership.</p>
	<p>Operational Improvement Program HR 3611 §7 Creates 23 USC 168</p>	<p>Establishes a discretionary grant program for incident management projects, deployment of ITS projects, and transportation demand projects. Authorizes \$500M per year for six years for program.</p> <p>Portland/Oregon better served by increasing STP program funds by this amount and, if necessary, expanding list of eligible projects. On surface it appears that there would be no need to expand STP's eligible project list.</p>

Memorandum

Date: February 3, 2004
To: Olivia Clark, Dick Feeney, Neil McFarlane; TriMet
From: Steven M. Siegel, Siegel Consulting
Subject: Section 3011 of Senate Transit Bill: Proposed Amendments to §5309 in the Transit Title

This memorandum reviews amendments to Section 5309 “Capital Investment Grants” proposed in Section 3011 of the Senate Bill (SB) received on January 27th. No other sections of the bill have been reviewed, so impacts of cross-referencing Sec. 5309 in other sections of the bill, if any, are not accounted for. Also, the Senate Bill does not yet specify funding authorization levels, so it is not possible to determine changes in the amounts of available funds.

A. Major Issues

The major issues discussed below are highly detrimental to the transportation agenda of the Portland region and others. The numbering is for reference, no priority is intended.

Major Issue 1: New Starts funds Opened to BRT Projects

Issue: Sec. 3011(j) of SB amends the former 49USC5309(m), which is redesignated §5309(i) by the SB, to allow non-fixed guideway projects access to former New Start funds (now Major Capital Project funds). TEA-21 made New Start funds available for “*capital projects for new fixed guideway systems and extensions to existing fixed guideway systems*”. The SB makes these funds available for “*major capital projects for new fixed guideway systems and extensions and corridor improvements, in accordance with subsections (e) and (f)*”. The term “and corridor improvements” makes BRT and other bus projects eligible for New Starts funds. FTA is already on record favoring BRT projects over LRT and Streetcar. So, not only will be more competition for LRT and Streetcar projects, there will not be an even playing field for such projects. This will severely damage the ability to achieve the Portland region’s transportation agenda.

Solution: The first two following statutory amendments help clarify, the last amendment is required:

- Amend Sec. 3011(e) of SB as follows “(e) Major **Fixed Guideway** Capital Investment Grants of \$75,000,000 or More”
- Amend Sec. 3011(f) of SB as follows “(e) Major **Fixed Guideway** Capital Investment Grants Less than \$75,000,000”
- Amend Sec. 3011(j) of SB as follows: “(A) 65 percent shall be allocated for major capital projects for new fixed guideway systems and extensions ~~and corridor improvements~~, in accordance with subsections (e) and (f)”.

Major Issue 2: Criteria for Small Starts Program Left Wide Open for FTA Discretion

Issue: The genesis of the Small Starts program grew from undue planning and procedural burdens placed on less expensive projects by the New Start regulations. The SB does not

specifically establish a reduced justification or streamlined process for small starts. Instead, in Section 3011(f) it states: “*if the amount of a grant ... for a major capital project is less than \$75,000,000, (A) the project shall be subject to the requirements under subsection (e) to the extent the Secretary determines to be appropriate; and (B) the Secretary shall not make a grant for such a project unless the Secretary determines that the project is cost effective.*” The subsection (e) referred to in the previous sentence is the project rating and grant approval criteria for major New Start projects. Thus, other than cost effectiveness, which is required, the SB does not establish any specific criteria for Small Starts and leaves it to FTA to determine which, if any, New Start factors will not apply to Small Starts.

In comparison, the House Bill (HB) includes specific criteria and procedures to facilitate the project development process for small starts. For example, TEA-LU excludes for “small starts” certain financial evaluation factors required of “major” projects, such as “*the extent to which ... local financial commitment exceeds the required non-Federal share ...*,” and “*local resources are available to operate the overall proposed public transportation system ... without ... a reduction in existing ... services ...*” . These and other factors in TEA-LU will facilitate project development of Small Starts, but improvements are needed to the HB, as well.

Solution: Add specific statutory language prescribing specific and a streamlined process criteria tailored to Small Starts. The HB provides a considerably better approach than the SB, so I suggest it as the base (although I do not include for sake of brevity). In a previous memo, I proposed statutory improvements and Report Language for the HB (TEA-LU).

Major Issue 3: Funding for Small Starts (<\$75M) and Major Projects (> \$75M) is in an Amalgamated rather than Separated Program

Issue: Given FTA’s disdain for LRT and the likelihood that Small Starts will be provided a streamline process and less burdensome justification criteria, Small Start projects will quickly advance ahead of LRT and other major projects, eventually squeezing them out of the funding queue. The HB addresses this problem by establishing mutually exclusive funding programs (after the initial allocation of capital funds) for Small Starts and Major New Starts. It further accommodated the higher costs of major new starts by funding the New Start program at a much higher level than Small Starts. Thus, while the HB provides the Portland region with a reasonable opportunity to pursue several projects in its transportation agenda, the SB forces regional projects to collide.

Solution: Amend proposal to fund Small Starts in SB to tack HB proposal by dividing New Starts program into two separate funding programs, and authorizing funding for Small Starts at 10-15% of Major New Start levels.

Major Issue 4: Must Grandfather Commuter Rail from New Requirements

Issue: Under Sec. 5309(e), as amended by Sec. 3011(e)(6) of the SB, only projects with a FFGA or Letter of Intent (LOI) before enactment of the bill are exempt from the provisions for “major” projects and “small starts.” This is a serious problem for smaller projects in Final Design or in the process of having Final Design approved, such as the Commuter Rail Project. If not clarified, these projects will be subject to the small start provisions and have to await enactment of “small start” rules before proceeding – undoubtedly a year delay. Also, these projects will have to be re-evaluated based on “small start” factors; requiring new analyses to be submitted to FTA on the merits of the project.

Statutory Solution: Amend proposed §5309(e) as follows: “This subsection shall not apply to projects for which the Secretary has issued a letter of intent or entered into a full funding grant agreement before the date of enactment ... Projects for which the Secretary has received an application for Final Design before the date of enactment of the Federal Public Transportation Act of 2004 shall proceed under the rules in effect when the application was received.”

Report Solution: Notwithstanding Sec. 5309(e), as amended, it is the intent of the Committee that projects for which an application for Final Design has been submitted to the Secretary before the date of enactment of the Federal Public Transportation Act of 2004 proceed under the rules in effect when the application was received.

Major Issue 5: SB Modifies the Criteria and Ratings Process for Major Projects, Requires New Rules to Set Criteria and Process and Allows FTA 240 Days

Issue: Unlike the Small Starts program, where new criteria and ratings procedures are required because it is a new program, there is no such requirement for the Major New Start program. While the industry is dissatisfied with the way FTA implements the process, this will not be fixed by a reinvention of the wheel. Rather, this will lead many projects in a lurch, unable to advance until new rules are issued and implemented. Undoubtedly this will cause these projects a year or more delay, during which costs will escalate and project agreements will require renegotiations.

Solution: The preferred solution is to avoid material changes to the statutory language regarding the justification and rating of major new start projects. Alternatively, grandfather projects that have advanced to, say, completion of DEIS to be grandfathered under rules in place prior to new act.

B. Moderate Issues

There are a number of moderate and minor issues that, due to time constraints, I do not address in this memorandum. Below are a few such issues that stand out.

Moderate Issue 1: New Unduly Burdensome Requirement for “Before and After” Study

Issue: Sec. 3011(g) of SB revises existing rules regarding the preparation of a “Before and After Study” for major new start projects. In the past this work occurred after a Full Funding Grant Agreement (FFGA) was executed. Under the SB, the preparation of a plan to do the study and collection of the “Before” data is a pre-requisite to construction. This will delay construction on projects that are ready and approved for construction, increasing costs and delaying service improvements for seemingly unnecessary reasons.

Statutory Solution:

~~“(D) COLLECTION OF DATA ON CURRENT SYSTEM. To be eligible for a full funding grant agreement, recipients shall have collected data on the current system, according to the plan required, before the beginning of construction of the proposed new start project. Collection of this data shall be included in the full funding grant agreement as an eligible activity.~~ **Collection of**

data on the current system according to the required plan shall begin as soon as practical after the full funding grant agreement is executed.”

Moderate Issue 2: Ensure Transparency and Fairness in the New Start/Small Start Process

Issue: The New Starts process has been marred by controversy over FTA’s implementation of TEA-21 evaluation criteria and procedures; in particular relating to the methodology and application of the user benefits (i.e. TSUB) requirements where FTA does not use the measure described in its rules. As a result the “transparency” and “fairness” of the process has been widely questioned by industry representatives and congress. The SB seeks to address these concerns through the creation of new criteria and processes and the mandate for new rules. This was previously discussed as a Major Issue, and, furthermore, will increase frustrations with FTA rather than decrease them. An alternative is to clarify the Committee’s expectations under the current criteria and procedures.

Statutory Solution: None.

Report Solution: The Committee is concerned that FTA’s user benefit measure has been applied without consideration of highway user benefits, user benefit thresholds have not been inflated commensurate with base year cost estimates, and ridership and user benefit estimates from FTA approved forecast models have been adjusted by FTA on an ad hoc basis. In establishing the process and criteria for rating projects under Sec. 5309(c) and (d), it is the Committee’s intent that FTA applies its rules and criteria in a consistent manner that is open, clear and fair to potential grantees and consistent with FTA rules and guidance.

C. Opportunities

There are several helpful amendments proposed in the SB, that I do not address in this memorandum due to time constraints. Some require modifications to be useful to the Portland region. Below are a few such issues.

Opportunity 1: Reimbursement for Locally Purchased Vehicles used for Future Projects

Issue: Sec 3011(H)(5) of SB amends §5309(g)(4) to permit the cost of a fixed guideway project to include vehicles purchased with local funds for the project before FTA approved the project. This amendment may not cover TriMet’s case where local funds were used to purchase vehicles for its eastside line, which is interlined with the I-205 LRT project between Gateway and Downtown. Passengers on the interlined section can use either line, and the number of vehicles in this section relate to the total demand. Thus, the cost of the locally purchased vehicles materially relates to the project, even though they do not operate on the Gateway to Town Center segment of the Project.

Statutory Solution: Amend the proposed §5309(g)(4) in §3010(d) of TEA-LU as follows:
“(4) SPECIAL RULE FOR ROLLING STOCK COSTS-In addition to amounts allowed pursuant to paragraph (1), a planned extension to a fixed guideway system may include the cost of rolling stock previously purchased if the applicant satisfies the Secretary that only amounts other than amounts of the Government were used and that the purchase was made for use on the extension **or a segment of the system interlined with the extension.** A refund or reduction of the

remainder may be made only if a refund of a proportional amount of the grant of the Government is made at the same time.

Report Solution: It is the intent of the Committee that the term “for use on the extension” in Sec. 5309(g)(4) include vehicles purchased for use on an existing fixed guideway segment that is, in part, interlined with a project extension.

Opportunity 2: Allow Cross-Border Leasing

Issue: Many transit districts have taken advantage of the tax benefits of sales-leaseback arrangements on their depreciable capital assets; resulting in millions of dollars for transit projects and operations. FTA approval for transferring the asset is a pre-requisite for such sales-leaseback arrangements on capital assets procured with Federal funds. Due to concern regarding the loss of tax dollars associated with sales-leaseback arrangements, FTA has ceased approving such arrangements. While domestic sales-leaseback arrangements impact tax collections, cross-border leasing does not. Thus, the ban on cross-border leases cost transit districts millions of dollars, without any benefit to the Treasury. The SB does not address this issue.

Statutory Solution: None.

Report Solution: The Committee encourages the Secretary to consider permitting cross border leasing as a way to provide private funding for public transportation projects and operations without the Federal tax impacts associated with domestic sales-leaseback arrangements.

EXHIBIT C
Portland Region
Priority Projects for
TEA-21 Reauthorization Earmarking

The projects identified below are consistent with the following principles:

1. The priority list should be short.
2. The region should seek New Start authorization for projects that can reach the funding stage during the 6-year authorization period (2004-2009).
3. As a target, the region should seek \$200 million in various highway earmark categories.
4. All projects must be consistent with the RTP Priority System.
5. Project requests should support and reinforce the land use plans of the region.
6. All project requests must be able to obligate/spend earmarked funds during the 6-year authorization period (2004-2009).
7. The jurisdiction requesting a project earmark must demonstrate the financial sources necessary to complete an appropriate project.
8. There must be support for the projects from governments, community and business organizations.
9. Members of the delegation must be willing to pursue the project earmark.
10. The regional list must be regionally balanced.
11. The adopted regional list will be described as the priorities of the region. Local requests outside of the adopted regional list will be strictly the priority of that jurisdiction.

A. Regional Highway Priorities - the following have been identified as regional highway priorities:

- I-5/Delta Park to Lombard (CON) \$32.8 million - Hwy Demo
- I-5/Columbia River Bridge (EIS) \$15.0 million - Borders & Corridors
- Highway 217-TV Hwy-U.S. 26
(Westside Corridor Final Phase) \$26.9 million – Hwy Demo
- Sunrise Corridor - Phase 1 of Unit I
Preliminary Engineering & Right-of-Way acquisition \$32.0 million – Hwy Demo
(Interstate 4R Discretionary can also be considered for funding earmarked)
- Columbia Blvd. Intermodal Corridor
Ramsey Railroad Yard \$11.0 million –Hwy Demo
Air Cargo access \$ 9.0 million – Hwy Demo

B. Regional Transit Priorities – The following have been identified as regional transit priorities:

1. Projects to be reauthorized – Section 5309 – New Starts:
 - Continue authorization for preliminary engineering and construction for the entire South/North project from Clackamas County to Clark County: 1. To complete Interstate MAX; 2. The Region's #1 priority for "New Start's authorization and funding is the South Corridor Project including phase 1: I-205 and the Portland Mall; and phase 2: Milwaukie extension; 3. To continue authorization and funding for Wilsonville to Beaverton Commuter Rail; 4. To allow for future extension of Interstate MAX to Clark County.

2. Projects requiring new authorization – Section 5309– Small Starts:

- Provide new authority for Alternatives Analysis, Preliminary Engineering and Construction of Central City Streetcar Extension: to Lake Oswego and East Portland

3. New transit project funding earmarks – Section 5309 – Bus (depending on whether and how many years of the program are earmarked):

- Earmark funds for TriMet bus expansion and replacement at \$41.0 million for the 6-year period.
- Earmark funds for the City of Wilsonville SMART Bus program at \$3.2 million for the 6-year period.

C. Research

- The region also supports Portland State University’s request for designation as a Federal University Transportation Research Center and an initial \$2.5 million research appropriation.

D. Local Project Priorities: The following have been identified as community livability projects:

1. Boeckman Road (Wilsonville)	\$8.00 Million – Highway Demo
2. Lake Road (Milwaukie).....	\$6.00 Million – TCSP/ Safe Routes
3. Wilsonville: Barber Road – Urban Village Connection	\$3.7 Million – Hwy Demo
4. Gresham Civic Neighborhood LRT Station	\$2.70 Million – Hwy Demo
5. Rockwood Town Center.....	\$2.00 Million – Hwy Demo
6. North Macadam Access.....	\$8.00 Million – Hwy Demo
7. Sauvie Island Bridge.....	\$25.0 Million – Bridge/Highway Demo
8. Regional Culvert Retrofit – Phase 1	\$5.00 Million – Highway Demo
9. Regional Trail Program – Next Phase	\$5.00 Million – Highway Demo
10. Beaverton Hillsdale/Scholls Ferry/Oleson Rd.	\$27.0 Million - Highway Demo
11. Sellwood Bridge.....	\$16.0 Million – Bridge/Highway Demo
12. Gateway 102 nd . Construction	\$3.00 Million – Hwy Demo
13. Burnside – West 23 rd to Bridge to East 12 th PE.....	\$3.75 Million – Hwy Demo

E. State of Washington – Section 5309 – New Starts:

- Support RTC and C-TRAN request for new preliminary engineering authority for I-5 to I-205 Clark County High Capacity Transit Loop.
- Vancouver Area SMART TREK (VAST).

F. Columbia River Railroad Bridge Swing Span

- Replace the swing span with a lift span using Truman-Hobbs funding. Seek legislation to include consideration of railroad and highway safety and delay benefits.

Note: It is not clear at this time how project earmarking will be implemented. As such, the categories noted above are preliminary and other funding categories may be more appropriate.

STAFF REPORT

IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 04-3409, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENDORISING AN UPDATED REGIONAL POSITION ON THE REAUTHORIZATION OF THE TRANSPORTATION EQUITY ACT OF THE 21ST CENTURY (TEA-21)

Date: January 23, 2004

Prepared by: Andy Cotugno

BACKGROUND

The Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21), adopted by Congress in 1997, expired September 30, 2003 and the five-month extension is scheduled to expire before March 2004. TEA-21 is the federal authorization bill for transportation projects and funding. The authorization bill establishes federal programs, identifies or "earmarks" some specific projects and sets the upper limits on the amount of federal funds the programs and projects are eligible to receive. The act also establishes rules for the distribution of federal transportation funds including apportionment formulas for those programs whose funds are distributed by such methods.

The reauthorization bill will have a direct effect on Metro and the region's jurisdictions in terms of how planning for transportation is performed and how much federal assistance to perform this planning function is made available. There is also a direct impact on which transportation projects are identified as eligible to receive federal funding.

Because the extension of the current reauthorization is set to expire before March 2004, Congress must choose to again extend the current bill or complete the next reauthorization of a federal transportation bill. To favorably influence the federal legislation, it is important to clearly articulate the region's positions during their consideration of the reauthorization bill language.

ANALYSIS/INFORMATION

1. **Known Opposition** None known at this time.
2. **Legal Antecedents** TEA-21 is the current federal transportation authorization authority providing Metro the authority to function as a federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). TEA-21 expired September 30, 2003 and was extended by Congress for five-months. The extension is set to expire before March 2004. Congress will be considering reauthorization of transportation legislation during its 2004 session.
3. **Anticipated Effects** This resolution will communicate the regional policy position for reauthorization of TEA-21. The policy paper will be used in the regions federal reauthorization activities in Congress.
4. **Budget Impacts** Reauthorization is a significant issue affecting Metro and the Portland region and, as such, this paper and efforts to influence its outcome are a significant work effort for the department. In addition, one of the issues directly affects funding to MPOs including Metro.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Adopt Resolution No. 04-3409 as recommended by TPAC and JPACT.

Bi-State Transportation Committee

The Bi-State Committee is appointed by Metro's Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation and the Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Council.

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January 28, 2004

Honorable Rod Park, Chair, and members
Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation
600 NE Grand Avenue
Portland, OR 97232

Dear Chair Park

At the January 22, 2004 Bi-State Transportation Committee, we discussed the upcoming Federal transportation funding reauthorization bills and the proposed program funding categories. We recognize that formula based funds are guaranteed and do not require special efforts to secure. However, the Bi-State Committee has concluded that the "mega-project" approach, as included in House of Representatives Bill number 3550 ["Projects of National and Regional Significance, TEA-LU § 1101 (a)(17)] is a new and useful approach to transportation investments.

Accordingly, we recommend that JPACT support the "mega-project" approach, recognizing that all transportation related entities in the Bi-State area will need to devote time and resources to completing and sustaining a successful effort.

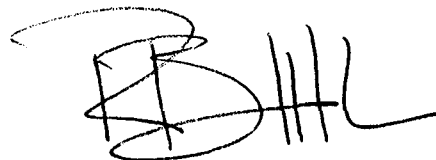
Further, we believe that the I-5 Transportation and Trade Partnership recommendations concerning the I-5 corridor improvements, more specifically, those concerning a Columbia River joint crossing of highway and high capacity transit, would be a prime candidate for a mega-project proposal. We urge JPACT to consider such a project as recommendations concerning Federal transportation reauthorization are made.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer recommendations to you and JPACT as you consider your own recommendations for Federal transportation funding for our future.

Sincerely,



Craig Pridemore, Chair



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BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPROVING
PORTLAND REGIONAL FEDERAL
TRANSPORTATION PRIORITIES FOR
FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2005
APPROPRIATIONS

) RESOLUTION NO. 04-3410
) Introduced by Councilor Rod Park
)
)

WHEREAS, the Portland metropolitan region relies heavily on various federal funding sources to adequately plan for and develop the region's transportation infrastructure, and

WHEREAS, Metro must comply with a wide variety of federal requirements related to transportation planning and project funding, and

WHEREAS, Metro's Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) has approved Exhibit A to this resolution, entitled, "Portland Region Priorities for FY 05 federal transportation appropriations,"; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Metro Council

1. Approve Exhibit A of this resolution, entitled "FY 05 Federal Transportation Appropriations" and directs that it be submitted to the Oregon Congressional delegation.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this ____ day of February, 2004

David Bragdon, Council President

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Daniel B. Cooper, Metro Attorney

Exhibit A
PORTLAND REGIONAL
FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION PRIORITIES
FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2005 APPROPRIATIONS

The following request for Congressional assistance in securing FFY 2005 appropriations will be forwarded to the Washington and Oregon Congressional delegations by the Metropolitan Planning Organizations in the Portland metropolitan area.

This FFY 2005 Appropriations request is being prepared concurrent with establishing the Region's priorities for the Transportation Reauthorization bill. These priorities include requests for project-specific earmarks and demonstration projects. If included in the Reauthorization bill, some of the earmarked or demonstration projects would seek an initial appropriation in FFY 2005. This FFY 2005 Appropriations request does not address appropriations for projects seeking an earmark or demonstration project status in the Reauthorization bill because of the inherent uncertainties associated with these projects and the method they will be addressed in the Reauthorization bill. The Region will monitor the Reauthorization bill and refine its FFY 2005 Appropriations request when appropriate.

A. Oregon Projects

1. **Interstate MAX.** Request the final appropriation of \$40.85 million in Sec. 5309 New Start funding for continued construction of the Interstate MAX extension, the region's priority discretionary project for FFY2005. This amount is consistent with the funding plan approved by FTA in the project's Full Funding Grant Agreement. The project is scheduled to be completed in the spring of 2004 and will require this final appropriation in FFY 2005.
2. **Wilsonville to Beaverton Commuter Rail.** Request an appropriation of \$25 million in Sec. 5309 New Start funds for the construction of the 15.5-mile commuter rail project in Washington County, Oregon. Funds would be used for Final Design, initial vehicle progress payments and acquisition of right of way. Further appropriations will be required in FY06 and FY07.
3. **I-205 and Portland Mall.** Request an appropriation of \$9.213 million in Sec. 5309 New Start funds for Final Design of the I-205 and Portland Mall section of the South/North LRT Project.
4. **Sec. 5309 Bus and Bus Facilities.** Request an appropriation of \$8 million from Section 5309 bus funds to acquire buses and improve bus facilities.
5. **I-5 Trade Corridor - Highway/Transit Trade Corridor:** Request an appropriation of up to \$4 million from the National Corridor Planning and

Development Program to conduct EIS and preliminary engineering for the I-5/Columbia River vehicle and transit crossings, and associated interchange improvements between SR 500 in Vancouver and Columbia Boulevard in Portland.

6. **Amtrak Station South – Phase II Oregon City**: Request \$1.5 million in AMTRAK funds for construction of the phase II Amtrak Station project.
7. **Going Street Overpass**. Request an appropriation of \$2 Million from the “Rail Highway Crossing Hazards” program to conduct preliminary engineering for the replacement of the existing bridge over the Albina Intermodal yard and rail mainline with a new six-lane structure. The existing bridge provides the only access to a large industrial area and has been compromised by rail incidents on several occasions. The new bridge would have one touch-down point in the rail yard, which would increase clearance for rail activity and expand the capacity of the Overcrossing to improve traffic flow on and off the island. This project would also add a temporary emergency alternative access on and off of the island adjacent to the rail yard.
8. **SMART Park and Ride - Wilsonville**. Requesting \$1.2 million to design and construct a 250-space park and ride lot to serve patrons within the City as well as connections to Portland and Salem. Plans call for this lot to be located adjacent to a proposed commuter rail terminus. The region is supporting the project with an allocation of \$1.1 million of STP funds for land purchase. SMART has reserved necessary local match for this project.
9. **Interstate-205**. ODOT is requesting \$1 million for preliminary engineering to add an extra lane in each direction on I-205 between the Stafford Interchange and I-5. This is a follow on request to the \$1 million that the Committee earmarked in FY 2004. This request capitalizes on a planned \$37 million preservation project on I-205 between the Willamette River and I-5, which as currently designed requires temporary detour lanes to be built and then removed after preservation work is completed.

FY 2005 funding will be used to complete redesign of the project needed to add construction of permanent lanes to the existing preservation project. Federal funds, an estimated \$6 million (\$3 million in FY 2006 and 2007), will be requested in future appropriations bills to pay for construction of the new lanes. If funded, the combined preservation/widening project would begin in FY 2007.

10. **Sauvie Island Bridge.** Request an appropriation of \$1 million from Bridge Discretionary funds to complete preliminary engineering for the replacement of the Sauvie Island Bridge. The amount is in addition to the \$2 million appropriated in FFY03 and the \$400 thousand anticipated appropriation in FFY04.
11. **Columbia River Channel Deepening.** Request an appropriation of \$15 million from the energy and water appropriations bill for the channel-deepening project. The Corps of Engineers has issued the Record of Decision for the project, which will cost \$151 million (\$96 million and \$55 million in federal and state funds, respectively). Using funds already appropriated by Congress, the Corps will begin construction in 2004 with some of the project's environmental measures. The \$15 million requested for FY2005 will fund the initial dredging to the new depth of 43 feet.
12. **Transportation and Community and Systems Preservation.** Request appropriations from TCSP program as follows:
 - \$2.0 million for the Rockwood Town Center to complete phase 2 of the Stark Street Boulevard improvements.
 - \$1.5 million for the Gresham Springwater Industrial Area Access project to facilitate development of a new 1,400 acre industrial area.
 - \$.5 million for Wilsonville-Barber Street Urban Village Connection.
13. **Regional Intelligent Transportation System.**
 - Request \$1.3 million for the Regional ITS Program to develop real-time traffic and transit information.
 - Request \$1.1 million appropriation Clackamas County's ITS initiatives Phase III.
14. **Portland Streetcar Project.** Request an appropriation of \$1 million from HUD for Planning to extend the Portland Streetcar from NW 10th Avenue and NW Lovejoy Street via the Broadway Bridge to Portland's Eastside.
15. **Jobs Access.** Request an appropriation of \$3 million from Jobs Access/Reverse Commute (JARC) program. \$1.8 million will support ongoing jobs access programs and \$1.2 million will support expanded TriMet service. (This could be superseded by a new formula authorization.)
16. **University Research.** Request \$1 million for the new Portland State University ITS research center.

17. **Regional Support for Transit Improvements.** The Region supports transit earmarking including: \$.100 million for So. Clackamas City (Molalla) Transit Center, \$.500 million for City of Canby Transit, \$1.2 million for City of Sandy Transit.
18. **Outside Metro Area.** This region supports Clackamas County's request for \$3.2 million from Public Lands Highway Discretionary account to building a new ped/bike/auto overpass on Multorpor Drive over US 26 at Government Camp. In addition, to the new overpass, a new right turn off Highway 26 eastbound onto Multorpor Drive and a roundabout at the intersection of Multorpor Drive and Frontage Road will be built

B. Washington Projects

1. **I-5 Trade Corridor - Highway Transit Trade Corridor:** The region supports the WSDOT request for \$8 million from the National Corridor Planning and Development program to participate with ODOT in the conduct of EIS and preliminary engineering work for the I-5/Columbia River vehicle and transit crossing and associated interchange improvements between SR 500 in Vancouver and Columbia Boulevard in Portland.
2. **I-5/I-205 HCT Analysis.** The region supports a \$2 million earmark "new start" funding for the I-5/I-205/SR500 high capacity loop for the initial Alternative Analysis feasibility process.
3. **Vancouver Area SMART TREK (VAST).** The region supports a \$3.5 million earmark "ITS" funding for the Vancouver Area SMART TREK (VAST) for development.

STAFF REPORT

IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 04-3410, FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPROVING PORTLAND REGIONAL FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION PRIORITIES FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2005 APPROPRIATIONS

Date: January 21, 2004

Prepared by: Andy Cotugno

BACKGROUND

The region annually produces a position paper that outlines the views of the Metro Council and the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT), a regional body that consists of local elected and appointed officials, on issues concerning transportation policy and funding that are likely to be considered by Congress during the coming year. This year priorities are focused on both annual appropriations, addressed by this resolution as well as reauthorization of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21), addressed by Resolution No. 04-3410, For the Purpose of Endorsing An Updated Regional Position on Reauthorization of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (Tea-21).

The proposed position paper addresses several critical regional transportation issues. The Portland region is pursuing an aggressive agenda to implement a high-capacity transit system. This effort involves implementing three projects concurrently within the next three to five years: finishing Interstate MAX, and starting the Wilsonville to Beaverton commuter rail and I-205/Downtown LRT. Additionally, there are several complementary projects for which the region is requesting funding: bus and bus facility purchases regionwide, Wilsonville Park and Ride, the final segment of the Westside LRT, highway projects and others.

Oregon and Washington continue developing a cooperative strategy to address the transportation needs in the I-5 Trade Corridor. The paper outlines the Federal funding needs and sources for continuing this work and requests support for obtaining these funds. Other interstate issues addressed in the paper include Columbia River channel deepening, high-speed rail and support of requests by the State of Washington.

ANALYSIS/INFORMATION

1. **Known Opposition** None known.
2. **Legal Antecedents** Projects within the region earmarked for federal funding must be consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan, adopted by Metro Resolution No. 03-3380A, For the Purpose of Designation of Adopting the 2004 Regional Transportation Plan as the Federal Metropolitan Transportation Plan to meet Federal Planning Requirements.
3. **Anticipated Effects** Resolution would provide the US Congress and the Oregon Congressional delegation specifically with the region's priorities for transportation funding for use in the federal transportation appropriation process.
4. **Budget Impacts** Metro is involved in planning related to several of the projects included in the priorities paper and must approve many of the requested funding allocations. Failure to obtain funding for one or more of the projects could affect the FY 05-06 Transportation Department budget. However, most of the funding requests deal with implementation projects sponsored by jurisdictions other than Metro.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approve Resolution 04-3410 for submission to the Oregon Congressional delegation for consideration in the Federal Fiscal Year 05 Appropriations Bill.

Staff Report, Resolution No. 04-3410

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING THE 2004-
07 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM TO ADD
FUNDING OF A FIRST PHASE OF THE I-
5/NORTH MACADAM ACCESS
IMPROVEMENTS FOR \$2 MILLION.

) RESOLUTION NO. 04-3418

) Introduced by Councilor Rod Park; JPACT
Chair

WHEREAS, projects selected to receive federal transportation funding must be included in the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program for the Portland metropolitan area Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP), which reports on the programming of all federal transportation funds to be spent in the region, and

WHEREAS, the South Waterfront Plan envisions revitalization of a 130-acre site into a new neighborhood of more than 3,000 homes and 5,000 jobs with multi-modal access, and

WHEREAS, implementation of the plan is beginning in the 31-acre central district that at full build-out will include 2,700 homes and 1.5 million square feet of OHSU research and institutional uses, a hotel/conference facility and supporting retail and service uses, and

WHEREAS, to support this initial phase of development, the Oregon Department of Transportation in cooperation with the City of Portland is proposing a first phase safety and operational improvement of the I-5/North Macadam Access Improvements project, and

WHEREAS, the I-5/North Macadam Access Improvement project is consistent with the 2004 Regional Transportation Plan and has been determined to conform with air quality regulations as a part of the financially constrained transportation system when fully constructed, and

WHEREAS, this first phase project does not represent a significant change in the capacity of the transportation system, and

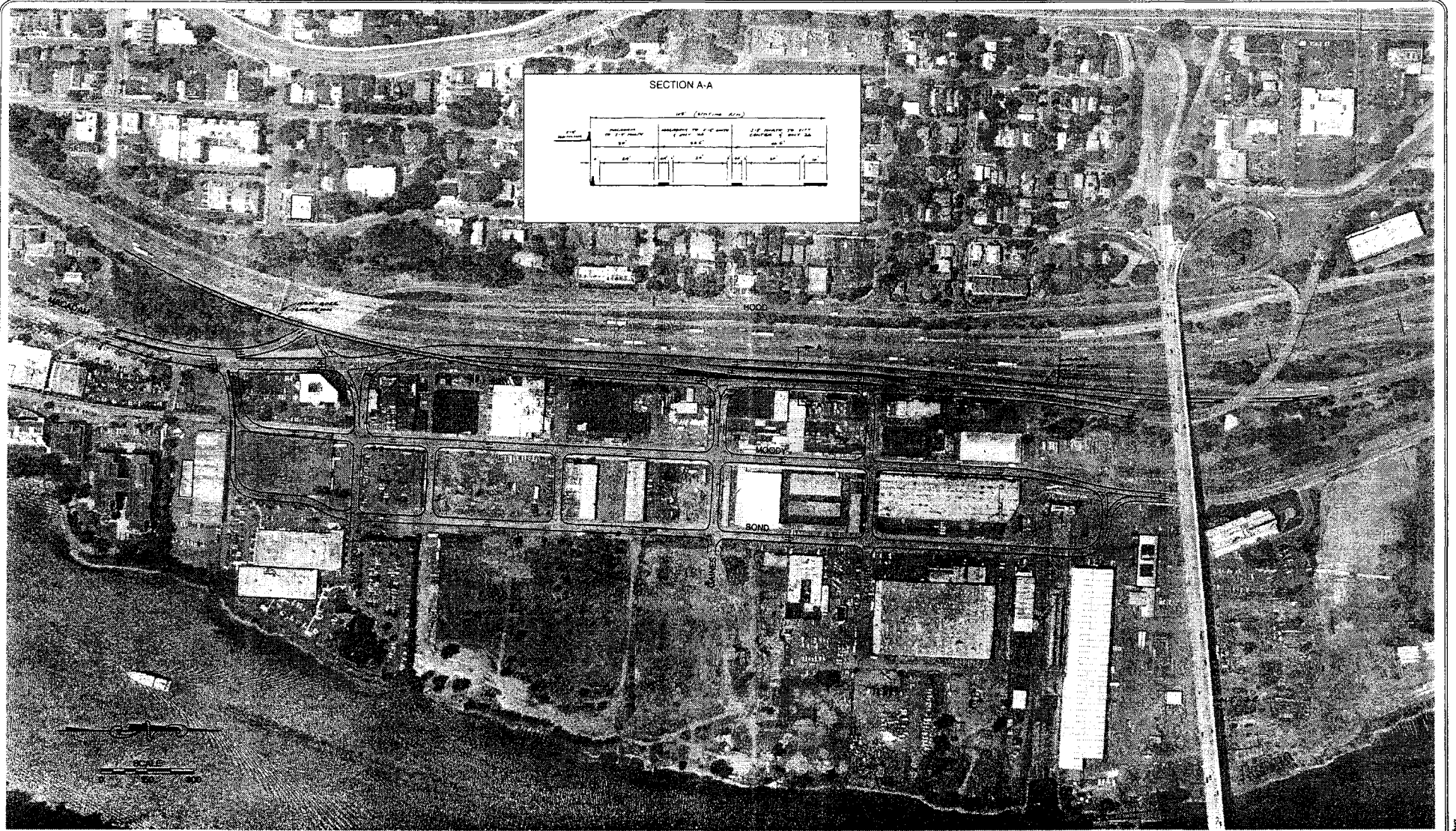
BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council amends the 2004-07 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program to add funding of a first phase of the I-5/North Macadam Access Improvements project for \$2 million.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 19th day of February, 2004

David Bragdon, Council President

Approved as to Form:

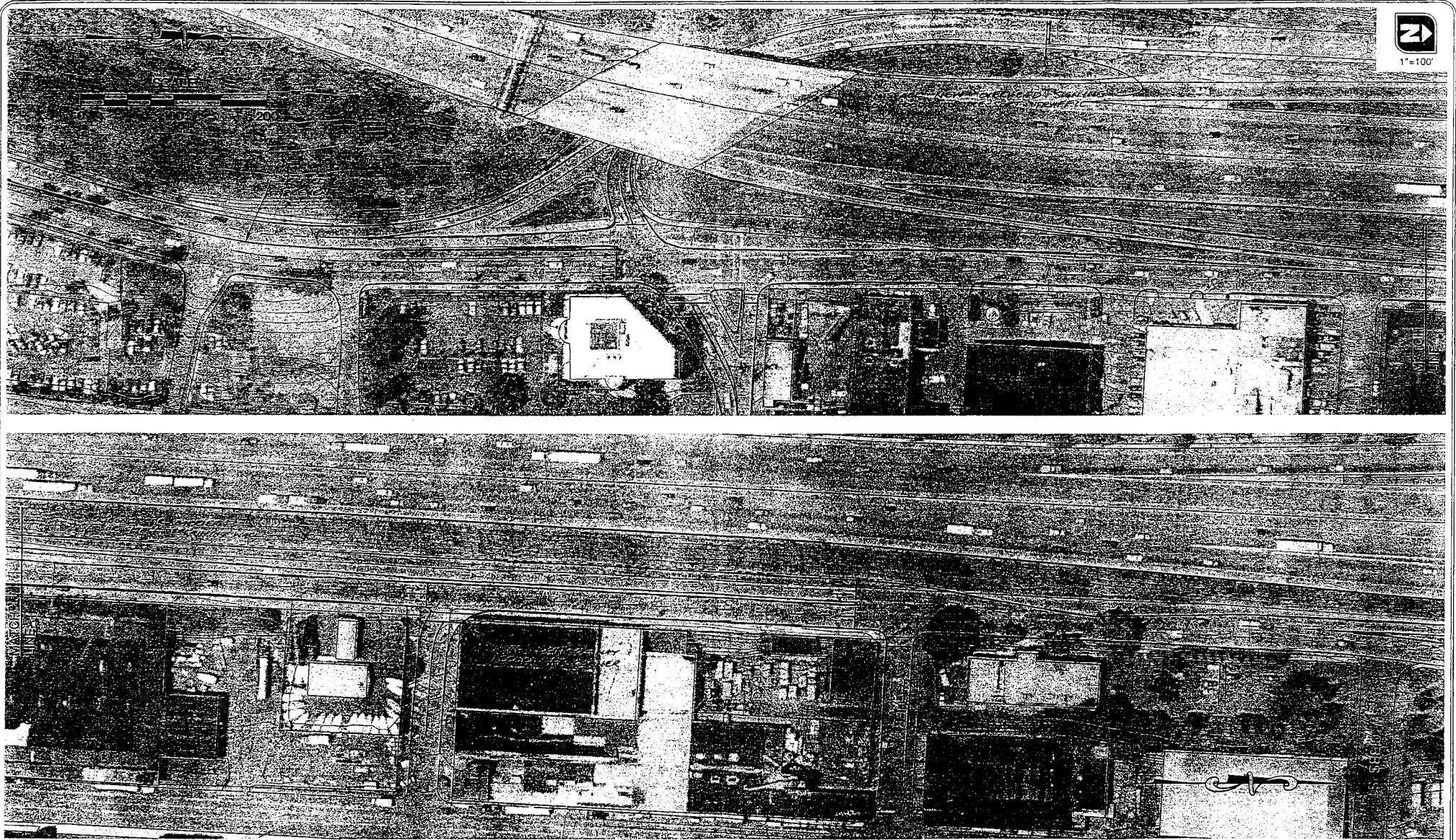
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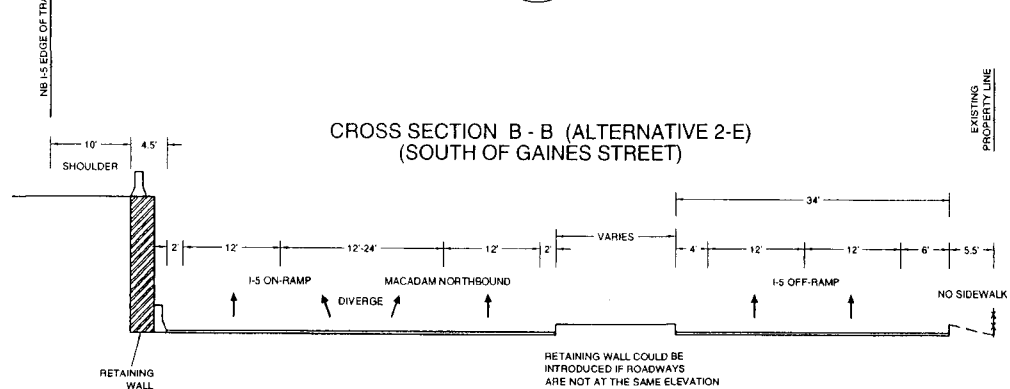
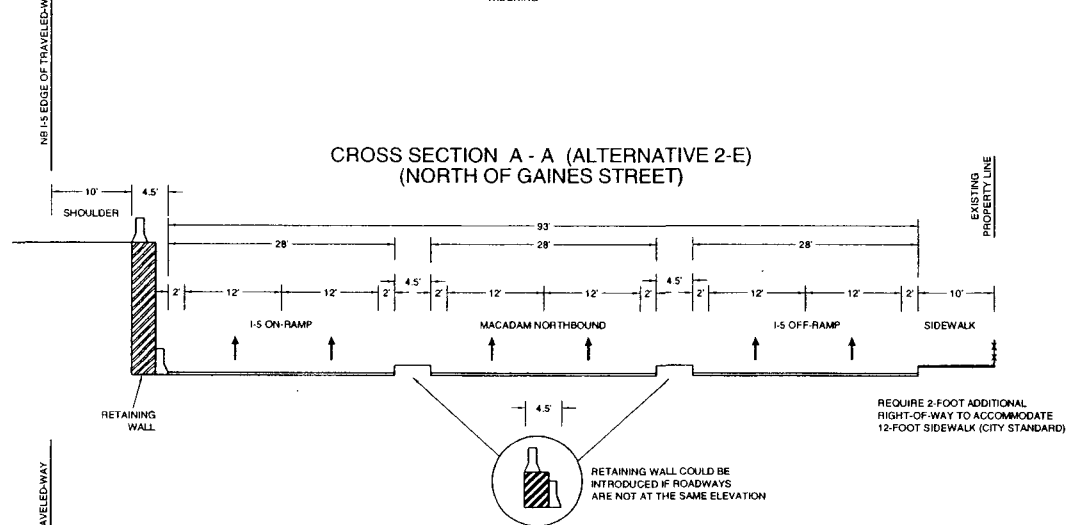
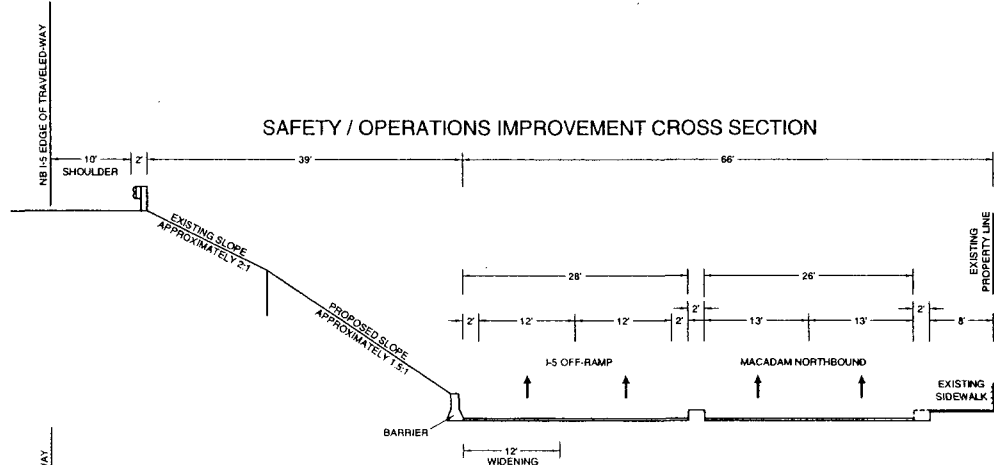
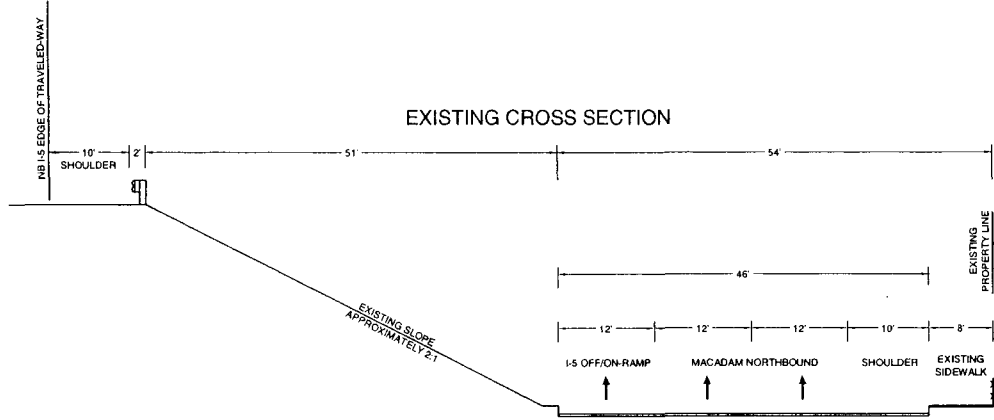
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STAFF REPORT

IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 04-3418, FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING THE 2004-07 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM TO ADD FUNDING OF A FIRST PHASE OF THE I-5/NORTH MACADAM ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT FOR \$2 MILLION.

Date: January 22, 2004

Prepared by: Ted Leybold

BACKGROUND

The Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) is a report that summarizes all programming of federal transportation funding in the Metro region and demonstrates that the use of these funds will comply with all relevant federal laws and administrative rules. To qualify to receive federal transportation funds, projects must be approved in the MTIP.

The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), in cooperation with the City of Portland, is proposing construction of a first phase of the I-5/North Macadam Access Improvements project to support the initial development of the South Waterfront area. This first phase is necessary to help distinguish the through movement from local traffic and provide ~~ensure safer access into the development site and for operation of local traffic associated with the development.~~

The full I-5/North Macadam Access Improvements project is included in the Regional Transportation Plan financially constrained system and is anticipated to be constructed between 2015 and 2025 at an estimated cost of \$20 million. Adoption of this amendment defines a first phase of the project and programs the project in the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program in the amount of \$2 million.

While the first phase project will change the lane configuration on Highway 43 (Macadam Avenue) between SW Gaines and SW Curry and the I-5 Northbound on-ramp to Highway 43, and add signals to the intersections of Gaines and Curry, and modification of the SW Bancroft intersection, the vehicle capacity associated with those changes would not be significant. Therefore, an air quality conformity analysis is not warranted.

The full I-5/North Macadam Access Improvement project is illustrated in Figure 1. The Phase I safety and operation project that will be amended into the MTIP is illustrated in Figure 2. Cross sections of the existing Highway 43, the Phase I project and the full I-5/North Macadam Access project are illustrated in Figure 3.

These funds will be provided by ODOT made available through bid savings on other projects.

ANALYSIS/INFORMATION

1. **Known Opposition.** The Corbett-Terwilliger neighborhood association has contested the proposed development of the South Waterfront (formerly North Macadam) area in the past. Concern about a

lack of outreach to the neighborhood association about this project was expressed by neighborhood residents to TPAC through a TPAC citizen member.

2. **Legal Antecedents** This action amends the 2004-07 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program, adopted by Metro Resolution No. 03-3381A. This resolution programs transportation funds in accordance with the federal transportation authorizing legislation (currently known as the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century or TEA-21) and the federal Clean Air Act. This resolution conforms with the Oregon State Implementation Plan for air quality. It is also consistent with the 2004 Regional Transportation Plan.
3. **Anticipated Effects** Adoption of this resolution is a necessary step to make the I-5/North Macadam Access Improvements project eligible to receive federal funds to reimburse project costs.
4. **Budget Impacts** Adoption of this resolution has no anticipated impacts to the Metro budget.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approve the resolution as recommended.

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECOMMENDING) RESOLUTION NO. 04-3419
FREIGHT PROJECT PRIORITIES TO THE)
OREGON FREIGHT ADVISORY COMMITTEE) Introduced by Councilor Rod Park

WHEREAS, House Bill 3364 from the 2001 Oregon Legislative session calls for the Freight Advisory Committee to advise the Oregon Transportation Commission and regionally based advisory groups about the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program and its consideration and inclusion of high priority freight mobility projects in each Oregon Department of Transportation region, and

WHEREAS, House Bill 2041 from the 2003 Legislative session expands on House Bill 3364 by authorizing \$100 million in bonding for projects that: a) are recommended by the Freight Advisory Committee, b) provide or improve access to industrial land sites, or c) provide or improve access to sites where jobs can be created, and

WHEREAS, in September 2003 the Oregon Freight Advisory Committee (OFAC) approved a set of eligibility criteria, prioritization factors and a process for evaluating candidate projects, and

WHEREAS, at its October 9, 2003 meeting, JPACT reviewed the legislation, proposed OFAC eligibility criteria and prioritization factors and approved a process for developing regional recommendations to be submitted to OFAC, and

WHEREAS, information on this issue was reviewed by the Metro Council at a November 25, 2003 work session on freight, and

WHEREAS, the process approved by JPACT called for a public comment solicitation and review by the Regional Freight Committee, and

WHEREAS, the Regional Freight Committee is chaired by Metro and includes representatives from Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington Counties, the cities of Gresham, Tualatin, Wilsonville and Portland, the Port of Portland and the Oregon Department of Transportation, and

WHEREAS, on November 28, 2003 OFAC sent a letter to Area Commissions on Transportation, the Association of Oregon Counties, the League of Oregon Cities and Metropolitan Planning Organizations advertising the freight project prioritization criteria and preliminary list of candidate high priority freight mobility projects and requesting comments by March 1, 2004, and

WHEREAS, Metro has solicited public comments and information on potential freight project priorities between December 1 and January 5, 2004, and

WHEREAS, the Regional Freight Committee has provided recommendations to TPAC, JPACT and the Metro Council on a proposed prioritized list of freight mobility projects based on the eligibility criteria and prioritization factors developed by OFAC and in accordance with policy direction set by JPACT at its October 9, 2003 meeting, and

WHEREAS, TPAC and JPACT have acted on the recommendations of the Regional Freight Advisory Committee and recommended that the prioritized list of projects in Exhibit A be submitted as the region's priorities for consideration by OFAC; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council adopt the recommendation of JPACT on the regional freight mobility project priorities as shown in Exhibit A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that consistent with the JPACT recommendation, the Metro Council forward to OFAC the prioritized list of regional freight projects as shown in Exhibit A.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this day of, 2004

David Bragdon, Council President

Approved as to Form:

Daniel B. Cooper, Metro Attorney

Regional Freight Advisory Committee Recommended Freight Project Priorities

Project Name	Description	Requested Amount (in \$ millions) ¹	Average Score	Potentially Regional Significant Industrial Areas	State Opportunity Sites or Proposed Shovel Ready Sites	Local/Private Leverage	Potential Other Funding Sources ²	Freight Route Designation
Leadbetter Extension Overcrossing RTP 4087	Extend Leadbetter to Terminal 6/Marine Drive, including a rail overcrossing.	\$6	7.6	✓	OP	✓	✓	RTP/TSP/OHP
East End Connector RTP 4022	Provide a free-flow connection from Columbia Boulevard/SE 82nd Avenue to US 30 Bypass/I-205 interchange, and widen the southbound I-205 on-ramp at Columbia Boulevard.	\$3.5	7.4			✓		NHS/RTP
North Lombard Access Improvements RTP 4063	Improve access and mobility of freight to Rivergate intermodal facilities and industrial areas.	\$3.6	7.3	✓	OP	✓	✓	NHS/RTP/TSP
I-5 North Improvements RTP 4005	Widen to six lanes between Lombard and the Expo Center.	\$41	7.2	✓	OP	✓	✓	NHS/RTP/OHP/TSP
I-5/Columbia Boulevard Improvements RTP 4006	Construct full direction access interchange based on recommendations from the I-5 Trade and Transportation Partnership Study.	\$56	7.1	✓	OP	✓	✓	NHS/RTP/OHP/TSP
Lake Yard, BNSF Hub Facility Access Not in RTP	Provide access road/drive and new signalization to relieve conflicts with US 30 traffic.	\$2	7.1			✓	✓	NHS/RTP
Alderwood Air Cargo Access Improvements RTP 4041 & 4038	Widen/Channelize/signalize intersections @ NE Alderwood Rd./NE Columbia Blvd. and NE Alderwood Rd./SE 82nd Avenue.	\$2.1	7.0			✓		NHS/RTP/TSP
Cornfoot Air Cargo Access Improvements RTP 4042 & 4055	Widen/channelize/signalize intersections at NE Airtans Way/NE Cornfoot Rd., and NE Alderwood Rd./NE Cornfoot Blvd.	\$1	7.0			✓		NHS/TSP/RTP
NE 47th Intersection and Roadway Improvements RTP 4040	Widen and channelize NW 47th Avenue/ NE Columbia Boulevard.	\$3.3	7.0			✓		RTP/TSP
NE Columbia Boulevard/SE 82nd Avenue RTP 4044	Signalize ramps and provide additional capacity.	\$1.1	6.9			✓		RTP
Sunrise Highway (Phase I of Unit One) RTP 5003	Construct new four-lane facility and interchanges (I-205 to SE 135th Ave.).	\$85	6.7	✓	PSR	✓	✓	OHP/RTP

1 Total project cost may exceed Requested Amount

2 Funding in whole or in part

Exhibit A to Resolution No. 04-3419

Regional Freight Advisory Committee Recommended Freight Project Priorities

Project Name	Description	Requested Amount (millions) ¹	Average Score	Potentially Regional Significant Industrial Areas	State Opportunity Sites or Proposed Shovel Ready Sites	Local/ Private Leverage	Potential Other Funding Sources ²	Freight Route Designation
NE 257th Ave. (Division St. To Powell Valley Road) RTP 2041	Construct two travel lanes in each direction, center turn lane/median, sidewalks, bike lanes, drainage and street lighting.	\$4.8	6.7					*
Wilsonville/I-5 Interchange Improvements (Phase 1 and 2) RTP 6138 & 6139	Construct ramp improvements Town Center to Boones Ferry Road.	14.5	6.4	✓		✓	✓	NHS/RTP/OHP/TSP
OR 217 Improvements RTP 3001	Widen northbound OR 217 to three lanes between OR 8 and US 26 and make ramp improvements.	\$33	6.2			✓	✓	NHS/OHP RTP
I-205 Auxiliary Lanes, I-5 to Stafford Rd. RTP 5199	Construct permanent auxiliary lanes as part of I-5 to Willamette River Preservation project.	\$8	5.9			✓	✓	OHP/RTP
SE 172nd Ave. Improvement RTP 7000	Extend to Hwy 212 and signalize intersection. Widen to 4 lanes with turn lanes from Hwy 212 to SE Sunnyside Road	\$15	5.9	✓	PSR	✓	✓	**
US 26 (Sunset Highway) Improvements RTP 3009	Widen US 26 to six lanes from Cornell Rd. to NW 185th Avenue.	\$13	5.6	✓	OP/PSR	✓		NHS/OHP RTP
Terminal 4 Driveway Consolidation RTP 4088	Consolidate driveways.	\$1	5.6		OP			RTP/TSP
I-5/99W Connection (Tualatin - Sherwood Hwy Phase I Arterial Connection) RTP 6141	Construct arterial connection From I-5 to 99W that protects through traffic movements between these state hwy's, and that would provide for future expansion to Expressway or freeway.	\$53	5.5	✓		✓	✓	NHS/TSP/RTP
US 26 (Mt.Hood Hwy) Springwater Corridor Interchange (Hogan Corridor Improvements) RTP 2051	Element of Hogan Corridor Improvements. New interchange on US 26 proposed to access industrial lands in Springwater Corridor.	\$25	5.4	✓		✓	✓	NHS/RTP/TSP

* NHS Route is currently 181st Ave./Burnside Road. 242nd Ave. is proposed as NHS route in RTP upon completion of improvements in the corridor. Completion of 242nd Ave. will be difficult and expensive. Multnomah Co. recognized the need for a freight route connecting I-84 and US 26 and will recommend the designation of 257th Ave. as an RTP freight route.

** Clackamas Co. has identified as SE 172nd Ave. as a major industrial area and will request freight designation in the next RTP.

1 Total project cost may exceed Requested Amount

2 Funding in whole or in part

Exhibit A to Resolution No. 04-3419

Regional Freight Advisory Committee Recommended Freight Project Priorities

Project Name	Description	Requested Amount (millions) ¹	Average Score	Potentially Regional Significant Industrial Areas	State Opportunity Sites or Proposed Shovel Ready Sites	Local/Private Leverage	Potential Other Funding Sources ²	Freight Route Designation
Sandy Boulevard Widening Revised RTP 2074	Widen to five lanes between NE 162nd to NE 238th Avenues.	\$11.8	5.2			✓		RTP/TSP
OR 217 Interchange Improvements RTP 3023	Improve the highest priority interchange that comes out of the Hwy217 Corridor study.	\$15	5.2	✓		✓	✓	NHS/OHP RTP
Belmont Ramp Reconstruction RTP 1039	Reconstruct ramp to provide better access to the Central Eastside.	\$1.5	4.9			✓		RTP/TSP
I-5/North Macadam Access Improvements RTP 1025	Construct new off-ramp from I-5 northbound to Macadam Avenue northbound.	\$25	4.3		PSR	✓	✓	NHS/RTP/OHP/TSP

Total Estimated Cost \$400.2

1 Total project cost may exceed Requested Amount 2 Funding in whole or in part

Exhibit A to Resolution No. 04-3419

STAFF REPORT

IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 04-3419, FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECOMMENDING FREIGHT PROJECT PRIORITIES TO THE OREGON FREIGHT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Date: January 28, 2004

Prepared by: Andrew C. Cotugno

BACKGROUND

House Bill 3364 from the 2001 legislative session required the Oregon Freight Advisory Committee to advise the Oregon Transportation Commission on high priority freight mobility projects in each Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) region.

House Bill 2041, known as OTIA III, from the 2003 Legislative session expanded on HB 3364 by authorizing \$100 million in bonding for projects that a) are recommended by the Freight Advisory Committee, b) provides or improve access to industrial land sites, or c) provide or improve access to sites where jobs can be created. HB 2041 provides for another \$400 million in funding for modernization projects, some of which could also be used for projects that support freight mobility.

The Oregon Freight Advisory Committee developed a set of eligibility criteria and prioritization factors to screen more than 200 projects statewide. During the summer and fall of 2003, OFAC worked with the various ODOT regions throughout the state to identify potentially high priority freight projects that met the eligibility criteria.

To assess priority, OFAC established four factors. The prioritization factors are: 1) the project would remove identified barriers to the safe, reliable, and efficient movement of goods; 2) the project would facilitate public and private investment that creates or sustains jobs; 3) the project would support multi-modal freight transportation movements and 4) the project is likely to be constructed within the time frame contemplated (project readiness). The complete eligibility criteria and prioritization factors are set forth in Attachment 1 to this staff report.

On November 28, 2003 OFAC distributed information about the prioritization process to regional and local jurisdictions and asked for comments on a preliminary list of priorities by March 1, 2004. In December and early January, Metro solicited comments and recommendations from interested parties. More than 50 pieces of correspondence were received.

In mid-January, the Regional Freight Committee reviewed all materials received, evaluated projects for which information was submitted and developed a proposed prioritized list of projects (Exhibit A to this resolution). The Regional Freight Committee is composed of representatives from Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington Counties, the cities of Gresham, Portland, Wilsonville, Vancouver and Tualatin, the Ports of Portland and Vancouver and the Oregon Department of Transportation. Vancouver representatives did not participate in this prioritization process.

Each member of the Regional Freight Committee evaluated each project based on the four prioritization factors. In accordance with direction provided by JPACT, Committee members were asked to give additional consideration to projects located within Regionally Significant Industrial Areas and intermodal

facilities. Projects are listed in order of their total average score by committee members. The highest ranking projects represent the priority freight mobility projects for funding in the near term.

All projects for which information was submitted are listed in Exhibit A, with three exceptions. The replacement of the swing span with a lift span on the Columbia River rail bridge is not eligible for funding as part of OTIA III because the funds are limited to roadway improvements by the state constitution. Information was submitted both on the Going Street Overcrossing and the Going/Greeley Climbing lanes. Those projects had been reviewed by the Regional Freight Committee earlier and ranked as lower priorities. The additional information was submitted too late or was insufficient for the Regional Freight Committee to re-evaluate these projects in the available timeframe. Although the City of Portland has not requested that the Going Street Overcrossing be included in the regional priority list, it will be submitting it separately to OFAC.

The Regional Freight Committee recommended prioritized list of high priority freight mobility projects is attached as Exhibit A.

ANALYSIS/INFORMATION

1. **Known Opposition** None known at this time.
2. **Legal Antecedents** This resolution provides input to the Oregon Freight Advisory Committee, which was established by HB 3364 and directed to recommend freight priorities to the Oregon Transportation Commission as part of HB 2041. (See Background).
3. **Anticipated Effects** Adoption of this resolution would provide input to a State committee, which has been charged with establishing freight priorities for use by the Oregon Transportation Commission in making funding decisions. It could result in funding of key freight mobility projects, which would improve the creation and retention of jobs in the region.
4. **Budget Impacts** Adoption of the resolution would not result in any additional requirement of Metro resources.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approve Resolution 04-3419 as recommended.

DATE: February 11, 2004
TO: JPACT Members
FROM: Kathy Busse
SUBJECT: OFAC Language

For the purpose of recommending to the Oregon Freight Advisory Committee (OFAC) on Freight Project Priorities for OTIA 3, the Washington County Coordinating Committee recommended the following amendment:

Add the following to Resolution No. 04-3419:

Whereas, the region has significant modernization needs, and these needs are disproportionate to the rest of the state. And, JPACT believes a significant portion of OTIA 3 should be used to address these modernization needs.

Whereas, JPACT recognizes that the \$100 million set aside for freight will likely not significantly address modernization needs in the region

Whereas, JPACT recognizes and supports the fact that five of the eight projects of statewide significance are located in Region 1.

Whereas, JPACT believes ~~the I-5/99W Connector and the Sunrise Highway are among the projects that should get the most serious~~ consideration for funding as part of future OTIA 3 allocations.

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US 26/Springwater Corridor Interchange
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DATE: February 11, 2004
TO: JPACT Members
FROM: Kathy Busse
SUBJECT: OFAC Language

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